



31 August 2026

Fast Track Applications

Attention: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

FTAA-2608-1279 – BULLER PLATEAUX CONTINUATION PROJECT
West Coast Regional Council Response on Section 46 Consultation

Thank you for your letter dated 24 August 2026 requesting West Coast Regional Council's feedback on the completeness of the substantive application for the Buller Plateaux Continuation Project under section 46 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (FTAA).

Council has reviewed the application documentation relevant to the resource consent approvals and changes to resource consent conditions as they relate to Cypress Mine.

Council's assessment is set out in the attached **Table A – Substantive Application Completeness Checklist**. The table considers the relevant information requirements under sections 42 and 43 and Schedule 5 of the FTAA, together with whether the information has been provided in sufficient detail for the purposes of section 44.

Overall, Council considers that the application contains a comprehensive level of information addressing the matters relevant to the regional resource consent approvals sought. The attached Table A identifies those matters which Council considers have been adequately addressed, along with matters that are not applicable or fall within the jurisdiction of the Buller District Council.

In addition, in accordance with section 30 of the Act, the written notice provided by the West Coast Regional Council under section 30(3)(b)/50(5), dated 18 August 2026 remains accurate at the time of preparing this letter.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matt Smith', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Matt Smith

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