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Tēnā koe,

Invitation to comment on Hunua Quarry Development project under section 72 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

Thank you for the invitation to comment on the **Hunua Quarry Development** project under section 72 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024.

I support the decision of the Expert Panel, and the conditions subject to that decision.

I note the opposition of Te Ākitai Waiohua to the project and the concerns raised by iwi about the diversion of the Mangapū tributary. I encourage the Expert Panel to give due regard to these cultural and environmental concerns.

I also note that the proposed consent conditions provide for ongoing mana whenua involvement in project implementation, monitoring and review through the Kaitiaki Forum, the Cultural Management Plan, and associated environmental management and monitoring programmes.

I recommend that the consent conditions provide for Waikato-Tainui and relevant mana whenua ongoing participation in implementing, monitoring and reviewing environmental outcomes affecting the Manukau Harbour catchment.

Nāku noa nā,

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Te Minita Whanaketanga Māori me Te Minita mō Te Arawhiti

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