
MINUTE 13 OF THE EXPERT PANEL

Process for issue of draft decision and draft conditions
Kings Quarry Expansion – Stage 2 [FTAA-2502-1018]

(24 November 2025)

Process for Issue of Decision

- 1) The Expert Panel wish to give relevant parties for the Kings Quarry application advance notice of the timing of the release of the draft conditions and draft decision for comment. The proposed timing for the next steps that the Expert Panel intends to follow is:
 - a) **Wednesday 26 November:** it is intended that comments on the draft conditions will be invited in accordance with section 70(1) of the FTAA. On this date the draft conditions will be issued to the applicant, every person that provided comments under section 53 of the FTAA, and any local authority or other body with a statutory responsibility to enforce or monitor compliance with the conditions. A copy of the draft decision will also be provided.
 - b) On the same date the Expert Panel also intends to invite comments on the draft decision from the Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti and Minister for Māori Development in accordance with section 72 of the FTAA.
 - c) **Wednesday 3 December:** The Expert Panel is allowing five working days for comments on the draft conditions to be lodged, in accordance with s 70(2)(a). Comments are therefore due on 3 December 2025.
 - d) **Wednesday 10 December:** As set by s 72 of the FTAA, the relevant

Ministers have 10 working days to return any comments on the draft decision. Comments from the Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti and Minister for Māori Development are therefore due on 10 December 2025.

- e) Section 70(4) of the Act allows five working days for the applicant to file a response to the comments on the draft conditions. The applicant will therefore have until **10 December 2025** to file a response to any comments received.
 - f) **Friday 19 December:** The final decision of the Expert Consenting Panel will be due, subject to processing of the application being suspended.
- 2) The Panel thanks all parties for their continued contribution to this process.



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