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## Request for advice and reports under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

Port of Tauranga Limited has lodged a substantive application under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act) on 14 April 2025. The POTL - Stella Passage Development application relates to in stages, extending the Sulphur Point and Mount Maunganui wharves, including associated reclamation and dredging of the seabed

The EPA has decided that the application is complete and in scope under section 46 of the Act and provided the application to the panel convener. The substantive application seeks an approval for a wildlife approval under section 42(4)(h) of the Act.

Under section of 51 of the Act, the panel convener has now directed the EPA to obtain from the Director-General of Conservation the following reports:

• in respect of the wildlife approval under section 42(4)(h) of the Act, a report prepared the Director-General of Conservation in accordance with clause 3 of Schedule 7 of the Act

The panel convener has also directed the EPA to obtain advice from the Department of Conservation in respect of the matters that are outlined in the attached Minute.

The Department of Conservation must provide the reports and advice requested to the EPA within 10 working days after the panel invites comments under section 53 of the Act.

If you have any questions, please contact Alex Mickleson, Application Lead by email at info@fasttrack.govt.nz.

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