

### Attachment 3.14A - Summary of Consultation prepared by Nova Energy Limited (Nova)

The Consultation Register (Attachment 3.14) records the correspondence and meetings / hui forming pre-application consultation on Nova Energy Limited's (**Nova's**) substantive application for the Twizel Solar Project (**Application**).

The table below summarises the feedback that was received (up to 29 May 2026) from parties and groups that engaged with Nova as part of the consultation process, and how that feedback has informed the application. This feedback was provided to Nova and our Fast-track application team either in written feedback, email correspondence or verbally during consultation meetings (recorded within meeting minutes).

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<b>Overall view on the development</b>	<p><b>Environment Canterbury (ECan)</b> is neutral in respect of Nova's application; feedback includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nova has provided all draft application information to ECan and has received various feedback for consideration in the substantive application.</li> <li>• ECan appreciate the opportunity to review application information and are willing to continue consultation post-submission; and</li> <li>• The application requires thorough planning and regulatory assessments and must meet all requirements of the Fast-Track Approvals Act 2024 (<b>FTAA</b>).</li> </ul> <p>ECan also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confirmed the rules under the regional planning framework that consent would be required for;</li> <li>• Provided guidance on the development of the stormwater management plan; and</li> <li>• Provided advice on including adaptive management responses in management plans, where applicable.</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>ECan</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confirms Nova's understanding of the Fast-track application requirements;</li> <li>• Has enabled Nova to ensure that its substantive application, supporting assessments, technical reports and management plans align with the requirements of ECan and the FTAA;</li> <li>• Has ensured that Nova has sought resource consent in respect of all relevant planning rules;</li> <li>• Has ensured that Nova has included adaptive management responses in management plans, where applicable; and</li> <li>• Has helped ensure that the stormwater management plan aligns with ECan's expectations.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Mackenzie District Council (MDC)</b> is neutral in respect of Nova's application; feedback includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nova has provided all draft application information to MDC and is awaiting feedback;</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>MDC</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confirms Nova's understanding of the Fast-track application requirements; and</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nova would appreciate an opportunity to consult with MDC post submission; and</li> <li>• The application will require thorough planning and regulatory assessments and must meet all requirements of the FTAA.</li> </ul> <p><b>Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua, Te Rūnanga o Moeraki and Te Rūnanga o Waihao</b> are neutral in respect of Nova's application. General feedback includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supportive of renewable energy and solar generation development in general;</li> <li>• Application must consider all Ngāi Tahu Settlement principles, acknowledgments, nohoanga and potential impacts on Ngāi Tahu Treaty settlements;</li> <li>• Incorporation of mātauranga Māori is an important aspect for the application and ongoing development;</li> <li>• It is important to mana whenua that culturally significant sites and areas are protected from inappropriate activities;</li> </ul> <p>Rūnanga prepared an updated Mana Whenua Report in respect of the Project. The Mana Whenua report sets out the following, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An overview of the Project, an explanation of who are mana whenua and Papatipu Rūnaka in respect of the Project,</li> <li>• A brief description of relevant Iwi Management Plans,</li> <li>• An explanation of the relationship of Kāi Tahu to Te Manahuna and the application site;</li> <li>• An assessment of the effects of the activity on the relationship Kāi Tahu have with their ancestral whenua and wai māori within Te Manahuna;</li> <li>• Potential adverse effects and suggested management opportunities;</li> <li>• An assessment against Sites and Areas of Significance to Māori (<b>SASM</b>) objectives &amp; policies; and</li> <li>• Mana whenua proposed resource consent conditions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Has enabled Nova to ensure that it's substantive application, supporting assessments, technical reports and management plans align with the requirements of MDC and the FTAA.</li> </ul> <p>Consultation with <b>Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua, Te Rūnanga o Moeraki and Te Rūnanga o Waihao</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A thorough analysis and assessment of the Ngāi Tahu Settlement principles, acknowledgments, nohoanga and potential impacts on Ngāi Tahu Treaty settlements has been undertaken and is addressed in the Application at sections 3.6 and 5.13.2;</li> <li>• The consent conditions include iwi and rūnanga consultation, oversight and guidance and incorporate mana whenua expectations regarding the provision of a governance led approach to environmental management. Nova is continuing to work with rūnanga on refining these conditions to the satisfaction of both parties;</li> <li>• The updated Mana Whenua Report and consultation has provided a guide to considering and incorporating mātauranga Māori within the application and considering and addressing cultural effects, including recognising SASM adjacent to the site and ensuring protection and access to these sites is not impeded by the project;</li> <li>• Consultation with the rūnanga has provided a strong basis for ongoing consultation and information sharing post application submission, including development of specific mana whenua conditions which are referred to above; and</li> <li>• Consultation has provided guidance on the monitoring, triggers and responses expected by mana whenua in adaptive management controls.</li> </ul>

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	<p>The rūnanga have also provided advice to Nova of their views on potential effects on SASM and how assessments have been undertaken against the SASM in other applications. They advise that consideration of the SASM objectives and policies will help to guide appropriate design, conditions, monitoring programs and management plans to protect sites and areas of significance.</p>	
	<p>The <b>Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)</b> is neutral on Nova's application; feedback includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EPA's interest is in the application of prescribed processes and adherence to requirements of the FTAA.</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with the <b>EPA</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confirmed Nova's understanding of the application content and process requirements;</li> <li>• It has assisted Nova to ensure its application will meet the expectations of the EPA; and</li> <li>• An effective communication channel exists for collaboration between Nova and the EPA in completing and submitting the application, in line with FTAA requirements.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga (HNZPT)</b> is neutral in respect of Nova's application.</p> <p>However, feedback was verbally provided to Nova's consultant, Absolute Archaeology, that an archaeological authority was not needed.</p>	<p>Consultation with HNZPT has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nova has not applied for an archaeological authority; and</li> <li>• Nova has shared information about consultation with iwi with HNZPT, and will continue to do so, if required.</li> </ul>
	<p>The <b>Department of Conservation (DOC)</b> has provided feedback on various ecological matters during consultation but have not conveyed any views on Nova's application, therefore Nova is unable to infer any support for the application or otherwise. However, in general, DOC has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided an overview of their role and requirements for a substantive application under the FTAA and the Wildlife Act (1953);</li> <li>• Advised that DOC is open to ongoing consultation on all matters post-submission; and</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>DOC</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It has confirmed Nova's understanding of DOC's role and the Authorities required under the Fast Track Act and Wildlife Act;</li> </ul> <p>In general, Nova's substantive application, supporting assessments, technical reports and management plans have been prepared to address technical matters raised by DOC and to align with the requirements of DOC, the Wildlife Act and the FTAA; and</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Suggested Nova monitor Haldon and The Point solar projects and also consider Helios Solar conditions of consent for Naseby as a possible framework.</li> </ul> <p>(NB: DOC's feedback on ecological effects is addressed separately below)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nova has been monitoring the Haldon Station and The Point applications, including the ecological assessments, requests from the Panel for further information and the key issues that have arisen. Nova has proactively taken these matters into account when preparing its application. Nova has also considered the Naseby conditions when preparing its draft conditions.</li> </ul>
	<p>The <b>New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA)</b> is neutral on Nova's application.</p>	<p>Consultation with NZTA has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confirms Nova's proposed works align with NZTA requirements; and</li> <li>Nova's substantive application, supporting assessments, technical reports and management plans are expected to align with the requirements of NZTA and the FTAA.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Transpower New Zealand Limited</b> are neutral in respect of Nova's application.</p> <p>Nova has engaged with Transpower in respect of Nova's connection to the grid:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A concept design report commissioned by Transpower confirmed the feasibility of connection to the grid which is acceptable to Transpower;</li> <li>A preliminary assessment of resource consents required for the implementation of the grid connection has been considered by Nova and discussed with Transpower: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Transpower have agreed with Nova that the works may be permitted activities under the Infrastructure Chapter of the Mackenzie District Plan and it is likely that no resource consents will be required under the CLWRP; and</li> <li>There is a potential for soil disturbance activities to require a consent under the National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health (NES-CS), however, this can be confirmed as design detail is developed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>Transpower New Zealand</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It has confirmed the feasibility and process for establishing the grid connection;</li> <li>An outcome is that the grid connection will be developed in conjunction with Transpower (the Grid Owner and the System Operator) to comply with Grid Owner and System Operator requirements and relevant industry standards. The line and grid connection arrangement proposed for the Project are summarised in the Application;</li> <li>Any resource consents required for the grid connection will be pursued by Transpower and Nova separately to the Fast-track application and will be informed by further design studies;</li> <li>Nova has integrated Transpower's proposed consent conditions into the draft resource consent conditions through establishment of new conditions and advice notes, as well as amendments to the previous draft conditions; and</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Transpower connection process requires further detailed design studies which will confirm resource consent requirements.</li> <li>Transpower proposed consent conditions for inclusion in the application.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nova will continue engagement and information sharing with Transpower to align the Project with any future consent requirements for substation works.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Meridian Energy Limited</b> are neutral on Nova's application. Feedback includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meridian is interested in the placement of Nova's proposed panel rows within the Hydro Inundation Overlay encroaching on Nova's land. (The Overlay relates to the Upper Waitaki Hydro-Electric Power Scheme, specifically the Lake Pūkaki / Pūkaki Canal system operated by Meridian Energy. In the unlikely event of a failure, potential inundation could occur. The areas subject to inundation risk are identified by the Overlay.);</li> <li>Meridian engaged Damwatch to model potential effects (levels and flows) where panels are proposed by Nova in the Hydro Inundation Hazard Area to help ensure that any effects can be appropriately managed;</li> <li>Feedback from Meridian following the Damwatch review confirmed that Nova's concept design panel layout within the Overlay will not require any review;</li> <li>Meridian advised Nova that its proposed consent condition requiring an Emergency Hydro Inundation Response and Evacuation Plan to address potential effects is acceptable and has requested that development within the Hydro Inundation Hazard Overlay will require the maintenance and operational buildings to be located outside areas subject to inundation depths greater than 0.25m;</li> <li>Nova has an agreement to easement in place with Meridian for the installation of feeder lines crossing Meridian's land – to enable Nova to connect the solar farm to the substation. There are specific design and installation requirements under the agreement that Nova needs to comply with;</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>Meridian Energy</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation has confirmed Nova's understanding of Meridian Energy's requirements, and the potential effects, with respect to location of panel rows within the Hydro Inundation Hazard Area and potential construction effects;</li> <li>Nova has confirmed to Meridian that the concept design does not and will not include habitable buildings within the Hydro Inundation Hazard Zone;</li> <li>Consistent with Meridian's request, Nova proposed a condition requiring the preparation and implementation of an Emergency Hydro Inundation Response and Evacuation Plan, to be prepared in consultation with Meridian Energy. Meridian has confirmed its agreement to this condition;</li> <li>Nova has located the maintenance and operational buildings outside areas subject to inundation depths greater than 0.25; Nova understands Meridian's requirements for ongoing consultation regarding design and implementation of the 33kV power lines crossing Meridian Energy's land, under the agreement to easement;</li> <li>Nova is committed to complying with the requirements of the agreement to easement, and the Project has been designed to ensure these requirements can be met in the future; Nova is aware of the historical asbestos contamination on Meridian land and will ensure any effects associated with the line installation and substation works are appropriately managed;</li> <li>Nova's construction management plan will ensure appropriate effects mitigation and controls for the establishment of the switchyard near Meridian's boundary;</li> <li>Nova's construction management plans will ensure that appropriate controls are in place to effectively manage any</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meridian has advised Nova of some historical asbestos contamination on their land that will need to be avoided or otherwise managed if activities will affect this area;</li> <li>Meridian advised that it does not expect any effects from Nova's proposed switchyard location near the Meridian boundary; and</li> <li>Meridian has queried potential dust related construction effects on its land, particularly with respect to the access road location near Meridian's northern boundary.</li> </ul>	<p>potential dust effects on Meridian's land, including use of the access road near Meridian's northern boundary; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nova remains committed to engaging with Meridian Energy pre and post submission of the substantive application.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Road Metal Holdings</b> are neutral in respect of Nova's application. No specific feedback regarding the application was provided.</p>	<p>Consultation with <b>Road Metal Holdings</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following way:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nova remains committed to engaging with Road Metal Holdings pre and post submission of the substantive application.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Mackenzie Properties Ltd</b> are neutral in respect of Nova's application. Feedback includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Questions raised during consultation regarding the potential visual effects associated with the installation of panels on the upper terrace with respect to a future development option being considered by Mackenzie Properties Ltd on its land.</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>Mackenzie Properties</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nova has clarified that the current proposal does not include any panels on the upper terrace, thereby mitigating any anticipated visual effects in this area. However, given Mackenzie Properties Ltd development does not currently form part of the existing environment (i.e. it has not been consented), the visual effects of the Project on that proposed development are not a relevant effects consideration for the Project.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Waitaki Trustees (Golden Acres) Limited</b> are neutral in respect of Nova's application. No specific feedback regarding the application was provided.</p>	<p>Consultation with <b>Waitaki Trustees (Golden Acres) Limited</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following way:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nova will continue to maintain its relationship with the company, as adjacent neighbours.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Bendrose Farms 2014 Limited</b> are neutral in respect of Nova's application. No specific feedback regarding the application was provided. However, Peter Williams provided his thoughts on the farming environment in the Mackenzie</p>	<p>Consultation with <b>Bendrose Farm 2014 Limited</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grazing of the panel area to help control vegetation growth forms part of Nova's application; and</li> </ul>

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	and that grazing may reduce excessive weed growth and related fire risk.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nova will continue to maintain its relationship with the company, as adjacent neighbour and farm lessee.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>SOL Group</b> are neutral in respect of Nova's application. SOL Group did not have any specific feedback on the application but were interested in understanding of potential effects of a shared access road for Nova's project and maintaining access to the quarry operations for SOL Group.</p>	<p>Consultation with <b>SOL Group</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confirms Nova's understanding of potential construction effects on quarry operations;</li> <li>The construction management plan proposed as part of Nova's application will manage these effects; and</li> <li>Nova remains committed to engaging with SOL Group pre and post submission of the substantive application.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>BH Growth Limited</b> are neutral in respect of Nova's application. Feedback included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concerns about potential visual effects of panels in the southwestern section of Nova's solar farm, with respect to a future development option being considered by BH Growth on an elevated area of Glencairn Station above Ōhau B power station.</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>BH Growth</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following way:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential future development mentioned by BH Growth may require consideration of reverse sensitivities to Nova's proposed solar renewable generation development in due course. However, this is not a matter currently relevant to Nova's application as the development has not yet been consented or constructed and therefore does not form part of the receiving environment.</li> </ul>
<b>Ecological Effects</b>	<p><b>Environment Canterbury</b> has provided the following feedback on the application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>that they are interested in all biodiversity assessments and management plan objectives and outcomes; and</li> <li>ECan appreciate the opportunity to review application information and are willing to continue consultation post-submission.</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>Environment Canterbury</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Effects on biodiversity associated with the Application have been thoroughly assessed by Wildlands, who have prepared comprehensive management plans and recommended a suite of management measures (which are reflected in conditions) to avoid, remedy, mitigate and compensate effects on biodiversity; and</li> <li>Nova is willing to continue consultation with ECan post submission.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Mackenzie District Council</b> indicated that they are interested in the application including appropriate ecological</p>	<p>Consultation with <b>Mackenzie District Council</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p>

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	<p>assessments, management plans and lawful conditions of consent.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effects on ecology associated with the Application have been thoroughly assessed by Wildlands, who have prepared comprehensive management plans and recommended a suite of management measures (which are reflected in conditions) to avoid, remedy, mitigate and compensate effects on biodiversity;</li> <li>• Nova's legal counsel has prepared a table, which will accompany the Application, demonstrating how all proposed management plan conditions are lawful; and</li> <li>• Nova is open to continuing consultation with MDC post submission.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua, Te Rūnanga o Moeraki and Te Rūnanga o Waihao</b> provided the following feedback on ecological and cultural matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The draft mana whenua report raised concerns regarding soil contamination;</li> <li>• Concern about grazing and the introduction of pastoral use which may modify existing ecological characteristics and habitat values;</li> <li>• Concern about effects on avifauna (noting the status of Kaki as a taoka recognised under the Ngai Tahu Claims Settlement Act);</li> <li>• Consultation has outlined the importance of management of effects and rūnanga have provided guidance on kaitiaki governance and ongoing engagement to develop and deliver opportunities for restoration initiatives, monitoring programs and appropriate adaptive management responses;</li> <li>• Rūnanga require that all ecological and cultural effects of the proposal are identified, assessed and managed, to ensure the long-term protection of biodiversity and cultural values;</li> <li>• Rūnanga seek opportunities for long term enhancement and restoration initiatives to improve biodiversity and cultural values; and</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua, Te Rūnanga o Moeraki and Te Rūnanga o Waihao</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft consent conditions include a soil monitoring plan which address concerns regarding soil contamination. These conditions have been incorporated as Environment Canterbury consent conditions;</li> <li>• A detailed ecological assessment of the Application has been prepared by Wildlands;</li> <li>• The Project has been designed to minimise potential effects on ecological and cultural values as much as possible, and Wildlands has proposed a robust set of mitigation measures and management plans which will ensure that potential ecological and cultural effects are further avoided, remedied, mitigated or offset;</li> <li>• The consent conditions include iwi and rūnanga consultation, oversight and guidance and incorporate mana whenua expectations regarding the provision of a governance led approach to environmental management. Nova is continuing to work with rūnanga on refining these conditions to the satisfaction of both parties;</li> <li>• The updated Mana Whenua Report and consultation has provided a guide to considering and incorporating mātauranga Māori within the application and considering and addressing cultural effects;</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rūnanga have raised concerns of potential cumulative effects on biodiversity and cultural values through multiple proposed solar developments in Te Manahuna.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consultation with the rūnanga has provided a strong basis for ongoing consultation and information sharing, post application submission, including development of specific mana whenua conditions which are referred to above; and</li> <li>Consultation has provided guidance on the monitoring, triggers and responses expected by mana whenua in adaptive management controls.</li> </ul>
	<p>The <b>Department of Conservation</b> have provided the following feedback relating to ecological matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>They are interested in potential ecological effects of the proposal, with a particular focus on avifauna as the Kakī recovery programme site is adjacent to the south of the development site;</li> <li>They provided feedback on the technical vegetation, avifauna and lizard assessments and draft management plans prepared by Nova's ecology advisors, Wildlands;</li> <li>The avifauna management plan should focus on incorporating design recommendations, adaptive management and conditions identified from recent solar consents granted;</li> <li>The project design should avoid areas of indigenous values and associated management plans provide objectives and outcomes to mitigate effects and provide restoration and enhancement to some areas of indigenous values;</li> <li>All management plans should support the findings in the Assessment of Environmental Effects and provide robust objectives and outcomes to mitigate effects;</li> <li>They provided feedback on the Integrated Summary prepared by Wildlands which provides an overview of a) the key components of the ecological effects assessment; and b) the proposed management measures that will work together to provide for management of the ecological effects of the Project;</li> <li>They confirmed that a Wildlife Act Approval will be required for salvage and relocation of lizards; and</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>Department of Conservation</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confirms Nova's understanding of ecological sensitivities in Te Manahuna;</li> <li>Nova's application seeks a Wildlife Act Approval for the salvage and relocation of lizards. Nova is also seeking a precautionary Wildlife Act Approval to enable it to hold and handle Threatened and At-Risk avifauna in the unlikely event of a mortality that needed to be investigated;</li> <li>Wildlands has considered DOC's feedback on the technical vegetation, avifauna and lizard assessments, draft management plans, the Integrated Summary and the draft Wildlife Approval conditions, and has updated the documents in response, where appropriate, and where possible given that DOC's feedback was provided close to lodgement. Nova will continue consultation with DOC on all matters, post-submission;</li> <li>Potential effects on the Kakī recovery programme, and avifauna in general, have been considered in detail by Wildlands; and</li> <li>The Project footprint avoids areas of indigenous vegetation and incorporates various measures and management plans to avoid, remedy, mitigate and compensate potential effects on indigenous fauna as much as possible.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• They provided feedback on Nova's draft Wildlife Approval consent conditions for lizards and avifauna.</li> <li>• They were unable to provide material avifauna flight path data, requested by Nova.</li> </ul>	
<b>Cumulative effects</b>	<p><b>ECan</b> indicated that they anticipate some cumulative effects with nearby solar farm development and recommend that Nova investigate cumulative effects during application development.</p>	<p>Consultation with <b>ECan</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nova has considered cumulative effects in preparing its application and this is addressed in the AEE and in the supporting technical assessments; and</li> <li>• Nova has been following developments in respect of The Point and Haldon Station Fast-track applications and has ensured that its technical team are familiar with these projects. Nova's technical team are prepared to assess cumulative effects associated with those applications, if needed, before Nova's Application is determined.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>MDC</b> anticipate some cumulative effects with nearby solar farm development applications and recommend that Nova investigate cumulative effects during application development.</p>	<p>Consultation with <b>MDC</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nova has considered cumulative effects in preparing its application and this is addressed in the AEE and in the supporting technical assessments; and</li> <li>• Nova has been following developments in respect of The Point and Haldon Station Fast-track applications and has ensured that its technical team are familiar with these projects. Nova's technical team are prepared to assess cumulative effects associated with those applications, if needed, before Nova's Application is determined.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua, Te Rūnanga o Moeraki and Te Rūnanga o Waihao</b> provided the following feedback on cumulative effects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rūnanga have raised concerns of potential cumulative effects on biodiversity and cultural values resulting from multiple proposed solar developments in Te Manahuna; and</li> </ul>	<p>Consultation with <b>Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua, Te Rūnanga o Moeraki and Te Rūnanga o Waihao</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following way:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cumulative effects have been considered during application development and are addressed in the application AEE.</li> <li>• Consultation has provided the opportunity for Nova to consider specific conditions to incorporate cultural and</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential effects of solar development include a loss of connection to the whenua and cumulative effects increasing the pressure on connection, the natural landscape and biodiversity values, notably wai (water) and avifauna.</li> </ul> <p>The <b>Department of Conservation</b> has provided the following feedback relating to cumulative effects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DOC are interested in how the cumulative effects of multiple proposed solar developments may affect the environment in Te Manahuna.</li> </ul>	<p>mātauranga Māori values within the application, which may include actions to manage cumulative effects if they eventuate.</p> <p>Consultation with <b>Department of Conservation</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confirms Nova's understanding of ecological sensitivities in Te Manahuna; and</li> <li>Nova has considered cumulative effects in preparing its application and this is addressed in the AEE and in the supporting technical assessments.</li> </ul>
<b>Cultural landscapes</b>	<p><b>Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua, Te Rūnanga o Moeraki and Te Rūnanga o Waihao</b> provided the following feedback:</p> <p>Concern about effects on cultural landscapes, particularly now that no screen planting is proposed in order to avoid ecological effects. Records that "<i>mana whenua encourages further consideration of alternative landscape design responses.</i>"</p>	<p>Consultation with <b>Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua, Te Rūnanga o Moeraki and Te Rūnanga o Waihao</b> has informed Nova's substantive application in the following way:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Commitment that landscaping design of ecological enhancement areas may be guided by rūnanga in a kaitiaki manner and enabled via Arowhenua nursery local knowledge and expertise for restoring natural habitats and creating thriving landscapes.</li> </ul>