

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua



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To: Fast Track Consenting Panel

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Subject: Submission – MBL Bream Bay Sand Extraction proposal - FTAA-2511-1150

Tēnā koutou,

Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua [TRONW] writes in relation to the McCallum Brothers, [MBL] Fast Track Application concerning proposed activities in the Bream Bay area, in which statutory rights and interests are shared. TRONW advocates a mandated position on behalf of those who retain genealogical links to the iwi of Ngāti Whātua.

At this stage, TRONW adopts a position of neutrality on the application.

This position reflects the following considerations:

- **Mana whenua & hapū interests:** TRONW acknowledges that primary mana whenua relationships and customary interests within Bream Bay rest with the relevant hapū and iwi of that rohe. Their rights, interests, and perspectives must be appropriately recognised and provided for through the Fast Track process.
- **Process integrity:** TRONW emphasises the importance of a robust, transparent, and tikanga-consistent process that enables meaningful engagement with affected iwi and hapū, to assess impacts.
- **Protection of rights and interests:** While neutral on the application itself, TRONW expects that any decision will uphold Treaty of Waitangi principles, protect customary rights and interests [including fisheries and aquaculture settlement interests], and ensure that adverse effects on the coastal environment are appropriately avoided, remedied, or mitigated.
- **Future engagement:** TRONW reserves the right to engage further should information arise indicating potential impacts on Ngāti Whātua interests, including any cross-boundary effects or implications for wider iwi fisheries, environmental, or cultural values.

This letter should not be interpreted as support for, or opposition to, the application. Rather, it reflects TRONW's commitment to ensuring that the appropriate iwi and hapū voices are central to decision-making in their respective rohe.

We trust that this position will be noted by the Panel and that due weight will be given to the matters outlined above.

Ngā manaakitanga



Tyrone Raumati

Chairperson, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua