
MINUTE 1 OF THE PANEL CONVENER
Decision under section 35(7) of the Fast-Track Approvals Act 2024
Tukituki Water Security FTAA-2603-L003
Land exchange application
15 June 2026

[1] This Minute records my decision under section 35(7) of the Fast-Track Approvals Act 2024 (FTAA) in relation to the timeframe for preparation of a land exchange report by the administering agency.

[2] The land exchange report is required to be prepared under section 35(3) of the FTAA in respect of the Tukituki Water Security project, for which the Applicant, Tukituki Water Security Limited, applied for a land exchange under section 33 of the FTAA on 26 March 2026. The relevant administering agency for such applications is the Department of Conservation (DOC).

[3] In accordance with the Act, DOC has:

- (a) sought comments from specified parties; and
- (b) received a response to those comments from the Applicant.

[4] Section 35(7) of the FTAA requires that the timeframe for providing the land exchange report to the Applicant be set by the Panel Convener following consultation with DOC.

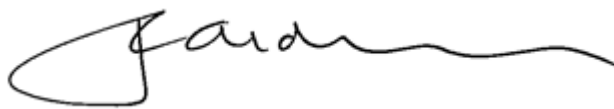
[5] On 9 June 2026, DOC provided a memorandum setting out its recommended timeframe for preparation of the section 35 report, including a detailed breakdown of tasks and working days.

[6] Having considered DOC's memorandum, the nature and complexity of the proposed land exchange, and the statutory steps required to complete the report, I am satisfied that the recommended timeframe of 96 working days is appropriate. I have, however, adjusted the calculation of working days to commence on 15 June 2026, which is to be regarded as Day 1 for the purposes of the timetable.

[7] Pursuant to section 35(7) of the FTAA, the land exchange report is to be provided to the Applicant by **29 October 2026**, being **96 working days**, with day one calculated as 15 June 2026.

[8] DOC is to proceed with preparation of the section 35 land exchange report in accordance with the agreed timeframe.

Jennifer Caldwell

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Panel Convener

For the purpose of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024