FTAA-2608-1286

30 September 2026

GD Jones
Te Kowhai East Limited Partnership
By email: [redacted]
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Tēnā koe,

Request for further information in relation to your application under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

You lodged a substantive application, Te Kowhai East, under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act) on 1 September 2026

Prior to referring a substantive application to an Expert Panel, the EPA must assess the completeness and scope of the application to ensure it complies with section 46(2) of the Act. To assist with making this assessment, under section 46(2A) of the Act the EPA may seek further information from you.

Request for Further Information

To inform the EPA's assessment of the application for completeness, please provide a further response to the following matter.

This request was raised as part of the mandatory consultation the EPA undertook with the Department of Conservation, following your response dated 25 September 2026 to the request for further information, and was received on the date of this letter.

In Volume D (Table 1.1) and your response to the request for further information dated 25 September 2026, the dimensions of these structures are "to be confirmed through detailed design."

However, Schedule 9, Clause 3(a) of the Act specifies that an application for a Complex Freshwater Fisheries Approval must include details regarding the type, dimensions, design, placement, water flows, and operating regime of the structure and any associated fish facility.

Please provide the dimensions of the structure or fish facility, such as concept design-level estimates or indicative dimensional ranges for the proposed temporary in-stream structures and channel diversion arrangements.

Responding to the Request for Further Information

Under the Act, you have until the end of the 20th working day from the date of this letter to provide a response to the EPA, which is 29 October 2026.

From the date of this letter, the 15 working day timeframe for the EPA to decide on completeness and scope of the substantive application ceases to run. The 15 working day timeframe will recommence once your response is received or after 20 October 2026, whichever is sooner.

If you wish to clarify any matter relating to the request, and the request was generated from the EPA's consultation with an administering agency or local authority, we suggest that you contact that administering agency or local authority directly before providing your response to the EPA.

If you require information from the EPA in relation to the request for further information, you may request that information from the EPA under section 46(2C) of the Act. Please send your request to projects@fasttrack.govt.nz.

The EPA intends to publish the information received from you in full, including your responses in our completeness memorandum, on the Fast-track website.

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

Nāku noa, nā



Ben Bond

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