

Referral application form to use for the fast-track process

Under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

About this referral application

This referral application form has been [approved](#) by the Secretary for the Environment in accordance with the [fast-track approvals process](#) of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act). All referral applications under the Act must be submitted using this form.

We recommend you discuss your referral application and the information requirements with us before you lodge the referral application. Please contact the Fast-track support team on 0800 327 875 or email info@fasttrack.govt.nz

Please provide a general level of detail in your application; sufficient to inform the Minister's decision on the referral application.

You must use this form to apply for referral applications and complete all relevant fields, even where you provide supporting attachments that are more detailed. Include attachment or appendix numbers in the relevant fields and list the attachments in section 5 of this form.

If the required information and relevant supporting material is not provided, the application will be returned to you as incomplete.

If your application is determined to be complete, and the Ministry for the Environment (MfE) considers that your project may be capable of satisfying the assessment criteria and does not appear to involve an ineligible activity, and you have paid all related fees, charges and/or levies, then we will provide it to the Minister for Infrastructure (the Minister).

Unless the Minister decides to decline the application before doing so, the Minister will invite comments on the application from relevant local authorities, Ministers, [administering agencies](#), identified Māori groups, owners of Māori land in the project area and any other person the Minister decides is appropriate. The Minister may also request further information from you, the relevant local authorities, or relevant administering agencies before making a decision on the referral application.

If the Minister accepts your referral application, then you may lodge a substantive application with the EPA and the substantive application may be considered by a decision-making panel.

Application fees and Cost recovery

Under the [Fast-track Approvals \(Cost Recovery\) Regulations 2025](#) (the Regulations), applicants lodging a referral application are required to pay a fee (deposit) of \$12,000 (plus GST), and a levy of \$6,700 (plus GST) to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA). The fees are set in [Schedule 1 of the Regulations](#). These fees must be paid before lodgement of your referral application. If the required amount is not paid the application will be returned as incomplete.

Please note the final costs payable at the referral stage may exceed the referral application fee (deposit) paid. More information about cost recovery under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 is available from [Fast-track approvals cost recovery process](#).

Submitting your application

You will need to submit this form through our digital Fast-track portal. You will need to receive a link to register/access the portal.

If you need any help with the form, you can call or email us:

- 0800 327 875 (0800 FASTRK) (from within New Zealand)
- email: info@fasttrack.govt.nz

Ways you can send your completed form to us

By digital portal – you will need to receive a link to register/access: [Fast-track website](#)

By email – info@fasttrack.govt.nz

Your personal information

The Ministry for the Environment (MfE) is collecting your personal information for the purpose of administering your referral application under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024. We will only use the information for the purposes of contacting you in relation to this application.

MfE may provide your application, or details from your application to other agencies or local authorities for the purpose of administering your referral application. If your application is accepted as complete and progresses through the referral process, the Minister may consult with other agencies and groups on your application. This will require the Minister to share the details of your application with the EPA, the Panel Convener, and those groups.

We will store your personal information securely. You have the right to access the personal information we hold about you and to ask for it to be corrected if it is wrong. If you would

like to access your personal information, or have it corrected, please contact us at referrals@fasttrack.govt.nz

Official information

All information you provide with this application is subject to the Official Information Act 1982 and may be released in accordance with that Act.

Publishing your application

We intend to publish your referral application on the Fast-track Approvals website.

Any personal contact details in application documents will not be made publicly available. Please provide a copy of the application with all personal contact details redacted.

MfE may also redact certain information from publication in accordance with the Official Information Act 1992. If you think your application contains information which should be withheld, please clearly identify it and provide an explanation as to why it should be withheld.

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Section 1: Applicant details

A person or persons may apply to use the fast-track process for a project. Where there is more than one person, the referral application must be lodged jointly by all of the persons who are proposed to be authorised persons for the project.

If the referral application is accepted and referred by the Minister, the person or persons who lodged the referral application will be specified as the person who is, or the persons who are, authorised to lodge a substantive application for the project.

1.1 Applicant(s) – repeat for all applicants

1.1.1 Organisation name: Peter Hall

1.1.2 NZBN (optional):

1.1.3 Contact name: Richard Didsbury

1.1.4 Phone: s 9(2)(a)

1.1.5 Email address: s 9(2)(a)

1.1.6 Postal address (if preferred method of contact):

Additional Applicants: Christine and Richard Didsbury

1.2 Agent acting on behalf of applicant (if applicable)

1.2.1 Organisation name: PETER HALL PLANNING LIMITED

1.2.2 Contact name: Peter Hall

1.2.3 Phone: s 9(2)(a)

1.2.4 Email address: s 9(2)(a)

1.2.5 Postal address (if preferred method of contact):

1.3 Finance – Agent acting on behalf of applicant (if applicable)

1.3.1 Organisation name: BRICK BAY WINES LIMITED

1.3.2 Contact name: Richard Didsbury

1.3.3 Phone: s 9(2)(a)

1.3.4 Email address: s 9(2)(a)

1.3.5 Postal address (if preferred method of contact): 17 Arabella Lane Snells Beach 0920 Snells Beach New Zealand 0920

If you are making this application on behalf of the applicant, please attach evidence that you are authorised to make this application.

1.3.6 Please direct all correspondence relating to this application (including correspondence from MfE) to:

If selecting Applicant and there is more than 1 person who lodged the referral application, please identify 1 person to receive all correspondence on behalf of all applicants.

1.4.1 Compliance and enforcement history – repeat for all applicants

1.4.1 Have there been any compliance or enforcement actions taken against the applicant (or if the referral application is lodged by more than one person, any of those persons) under a specified Act definition for either ‘compliance’ or ‘enforcement’?

No

1.4.2 If you answered yes above, please provide a summary of the relevant legislation and provisions, and any compliance or enforcement actions, and

the outcome of those actions taken under the [specified Act](#) against the applicant or applicants, if the referral is being lodged jointly.

Section 2: Referral application summary

2.1 Project name

This is the name by which the project will be known publicly. For example - avoid using street addresses, place names, company names.

Brick Bay Lodge

2.2 Project description and location

2.2.1 Provide a description of the project and the activities it involves

The project description helps us with inviting comments from relevant parties on the application, and publishing information about the application.

Brick Bay Lodge will provide luxury visitor accommodation comprising some 45 accommodation suites and associated lodge amenities. Accommodation suites will comprise a mix of villas, cottages, and tree houses. They will be supported by shared amenities including reception services, a restaurant, pool house and gym, restoration pavilion and wellness retreat, and a beach house.

The lodge will draw on the unique experience of the existing vineyard, sculpture trail, gardens, and restaurant – Brick Bay Wines & Sculpture Trail – which the applicants have developed on the landward side of the property over the last 40 years. It will build on the property's proximity to the amenities and attractions in Matakana, including Matakana Village with its Farmers' Market, boutiques, and galleries, and the wider Auckland and Northland regions.

2.2.2 Provide a description or map of the whole project area that identifies its boundaries in sufficient detail to enable consideration of the referral application.

For example, site address(es), certificate of title(s), shape files

15 Arabella Lane/52 Kauri Drive, Snells Beach

2.3 Ineligible activity

Your referral application must demonstrate that the project does not involve any ineligible activities as defined in [Section 5](#) of the Act. Please consider each ineligible activity below and where relevant, provide the requested details.

When providing your response below, where possible, **provide details of any parties involved, the extent of their holding and the activity relevant to their area.**

Where a project involves an activity that may be the subject of a determination under sections [23](#) or [24](#), and you are intending to seek a Ministerial determination for that activity under either section, you must still complete this section in full. Determinations under, and information required in respect of, sections 23 and 24 are covered further under 2.5

Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24.

If your application relates to certain mining activities below the surface of the land and meets the other relevant criteria under [section 5\(2\)](#) of the Act then an agreement under [section 5\(1\)\(a\), \(b\), \(j\) or \(k\)](#) may not be required. This should be identified under the relevant questions below, and you must provide the additional information required in respect of [section 5\(2\)](#) under 2.3 Ineligible activity.

2.3.1 Does the project include an activity that would occur on identified [Māori land](#) as defined in section 4 of the Act?

No

a. If yes, please address the following:

- i. identify the land involved and the owner(s) of the land.
- ii. Confirm that the activity on the land has been agreed with the owners of the land and provide evidence of the written agreement; or
 - A. advise whether it is proposed to seek a determination under [section 23](#) and provide the information under 2.5 Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24 below; or
 - B. advise whether it is proposed to rely on [section 5\(2\)](#) of the Act and provide the information under 2.3 Ineligible activity below.

2.3.2 Does the project involve an activity that would occur in a customary marine title area?

No

a. Address the following:

- i. Identify the relevant customary marine title area, who the customary marine title group is;
- ii. Provide evidence that written agreement has been obtained from the customary marine title group and provide a copy of the same; **or**

- A. advise whether it is proposed to rely on [section 5\(2\)](#) of the Act and provide the information under 2.3 **Ineligible activity** below.

2.3.3 Does the project involve an activity that would occur in a protected customary rights area?

No

a. Address the following:

- i. Identify the protected customary rights area, the group who holds these rights and the nature of the protected customary right(s)
- ii. Explain your proposed activity and identify whether you consider that it would have a less than minor adverse effect on the exercise of the protected customary right(s), and briefly explain why; **or**
- iii. Advise whether you consider that your proposed activity would have a more than minor effect on the exercise of the protected customary right(s), and if so, confirm that the activity has been agreed to in writing by the protected customary rights group and provide a copy of that agreement.

2.3.4 Does the project involve an activity that would occur on:
Māori customary land; OR land set apart as a Māori reservation as defined in section 4 of Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993.

No

2.3.5 Does the project involve an aquaculture activity or an activity that is incompatible with aquaculture activities that would occur within an aquaculture settlement area (under section 12 of the Māori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement Act 2004); or an area reserved under another Treaty settlement for the aquaculture activities of a particular group?

No

2.3.6 Provide details of the aquaculture activity or the activity that is incompatible with aquaculture and the location

2.3.7 Provide details of the relevant aquaculture settlement area or Treaty settlement legislation reserving space for aquaculture and include details of the impacted parties or particular group.

2.3.8 Provide details on whether or not the applicant is authorised to apply for a coastal permit within the aquaculture settlement area, or area reserved under another Treaty settlement for aquaculture activities, including a copy of any such authorisation.

2.3.9 Does the project include an activity that would require an access arrangement under [section 61](#) or [61B](#) of the Crown Minerals Act 1991?

No

a. Provide the following information:

- i. what is the activity that would require the access arrangement; and
- ii. does the project include an activity that would occur on Crown owned land or internal waters and land of the common marine and coastal area described in Schedule 4 of that Act and provide details of the same.
- iii. If so describe how the activity meets the criteria in [section 61\(1A\)](#)(a-e) of the Crown Minerals Act 1991; **or**
- iv. Confirm and provide evidence that the project would not occur in an area for which a permit cannot be granted under that Act:

2.3.10 Does the project include an activity that would be prevented under any of sections [165J](#), [165M](#), [165Q](#), [165ZC](#), or [165ZDB](#) (regarding the management of occupation in common marine and coastal area) of the Resource Management Act 1991?

No

2.3.11 Provide details about which section the project does not comply with and, if relevant, the provisions of the regional coastal plan that are applicable.

2.3.12 Does the project include an activity (other than an activity that would require an access arrangement under the [Crown Minerals Act 1991](#)) that would occur on land that is listed in [Schedule 4](#) of this Act?

No

a. Provide the following:

- i. identify the activity and which clause under Schedule 4 is applicable; and
- ii. **confirm** whether you are seeking that the Minister make a determination under [section 24](#), and if so, whether the determination sought relates to existing electricity infrastructure or new electricity lines and provide the

information under 2.5 Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24 below.

2.3.13 Does the project involve an activity that would occur on a national reserve held under the Reserves Act 1977 and requires approval under that Act?

No

a. Address the following:

- i. identify the activity and type of national reserve under the Reserves Act
- ii. identify what approval(s) would be required under the Reserves Act.
- iii. Confirm whether you are seeking that the Minister make a determination under [section 24](#) and if so whether the determination sought relates to existing electricity infrastructure or new electricity lines.? If so, provide the information under 2.5 Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24 below

2.3.14 Does the project involve an activity that would occur on a reserve held under the Reserves Act 1977 that is vested in someone other than the Crown or a local authority?

No

a. Address the following:

- i. identify the activity, the reserve type under the Reserves Act, and the person in whom it is vested.
- ii. provide evidence that written agreement has been obtained from the person in whom the reserve is vested and provide a copy of the same; or
- iii. advise whether it is proposed to rely on [section 5\(2\)](#) of the Act and provide the information under 2.3 Ineligible activity below.

2.3.15 Does the project involve an activity that would occur on a reserve held under the Reserves Act 1977 that is managed by someone other than the Department of Conservation or a local authority?

No

a. Address the following:

- i. identify the activity, the reserve type under the Reserves Act, and the person or body who manages the reserve.
- ii. Provide evidence that written agreement has been obtained from the person or body responsible for managing the reserve and provide a copy of the same; **or**

- iii. advise whether it is proposed to rely on [section 5\(2\)](#) of the Act and provide the information under 2.3 Ineligible activity below; **or**
- iv. advise whether you consider the activity falls within the scope of [section 5\(5\)](#) of the Act, and provide the information under 2.3 Ineligible activity below.

2.3.16 Does the project involve an activity that is:

- a. a prohibited activity under the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) Act 2012 or regulations made under that Act?
- b. described in section 15B (Discharge of harmful substances from ships or offshore installations) of the Resource Management Act 1991 and is a prohibited activity under that Act or regulations made under it;
No
- c. prohibited by section 15C (Prohibitions in relation to radioactive waste or other radioactive matter and other waste in coastal marine area) of the Resource Management Act 1991
No

2.3.17 Does the project involve a decommissioning-related activity as described in section 38(3) of the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) Act 2012:
No

2.3.18 Does the project involve an activity undertaken for the purposes of an offshore renewable energy project?
No

2.4 Exemptions from requirement to provide agreement

2.4.1 Mining activities under section 5(2)

The agreement of the relevant groups referred to under 3.5 Persons affected is not required for certain mining activities under [section 5\(2\)](#). If you think this might apply to your application, answer the questions below.

2.4.1.2 Is your application for an activity that is prospecting, exploration, mining or mining operations of Crown-owned minerals undertaken below the surface of any land or area?

No

2.4.1.3 Provide details of the activity and identify the owner and occupier of the land and any relevant details concerning the land or area (such as whether it is identified Māori land)

2.4.1.4 Explain the extent, if any to which your activity may be likely to cause any damage to the surface of the land or any loss or damage to the owner or occupier of the land.

2.4.1.5 Explain the extent, if any to which your activity will be likely to have any prejudicial effect in respect of the use and enjoyment of the land by the owner or occupier of the land.

2.4.1.6 Explain the extent, if any to which your activity will be likely to have any prejudicial effect in respect of any possible future use of the surface of the land, and if no such effects are anticipated, please explain why.

2.4.2 Activities on land proposed to be the subject of a land exchange

The agreement of relevant groups referred to in (subsection 5(1)(a) of the Act) is not required if section 5(5) applies. If you consider this section may be relevant to your application, complete the below.

2.4.2.1 Is the reserve on which the activity is to occur proposed to be the subject of a land exchange?

No

2.4.2.2 Is the reserve a Crown-owned reserve?

2.4.2.3 Are the person or persons responsible for managing the reserve in place because of a Treaty settlement?

2.4.2.4 Provide any supporting details which may be relevant for your responses to the above questions.

2.5 Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24

Complete this section if you wish to seek a ministerial determination under section 23 or section 24 that your project is not an ineligible activity.

2.5.1 Determination in relation to linear infrastructure on Māori land under section 23

2.5.1.1 Is your application seeking a determination under [section 23](#) (linear infrastructure on certain identified Māori land)

No

Provide the following information:

2.5.1.2 Confirmation that the activity is the construction of electricity lines or land transport infrastructure (and identify which it is)

2.5.1.3 Confirmation that the above construction (or operation of) will be undertaken by a network utility operator that is a requiring authority, and that that same party is the applicant for the necessary approvals, providing details of the same.

2.5.1.4 Confirmation that the activity would occur on identified Māori land that is Māori freehold land or General land owned by Māori that was previously Māori freehold land (and identify that land)

2.5.1.5 Provide information on the rights and interests of Māori in that land

2.5.1.6 Provide an assessment of the effects of the activity on those Māori rights and interests and on the relevant land.

2.5.2 Determination in relation to existing electricity infrastructure under section 24(2)

2.5.2.1 Is your application seeking a Ministerial determination under [section 24\(2\)](#) (in relation to maintenance, upgrading, or continued operation of existing electricity infrastructure on certain Schedule 4 land or in a national reserve)

No

Provide the following information:

2.5.2.2 Confirmation that the activity is the maintenance, upgrading, or continued operation of existing electricity infrastructure.

2.5.2.3 Confirmation that the activity would occur on eligible land, as defined in section 24(3).

2.5.2.4 Advise whether the activity would materially increase the scale or adverse effects of the existing electricity infrastructure and provide an explanation of the same.

2.5.3 Determination in relation to new electricity lines under section 24(4)

2.5.3.1 Is your application seeking a determination under [section 24](#) (the construction and operation of new electricity lines on eligible land (as defined in [schedule 4](#) excluding land classified as a national park or listed in subsections 2, 4, 5(a), 7 or 8 of that schedule)?

No

Provide the following information:

2.5.3.2 Is the activity the construction and operation of new electricity lines? (provide any necessary details)

Would the activity occur on eligible land (and identify which category of eligible land);

2.5.3.3 Provide the requested information for each alternative site considered for the construction and operation of the new electricity lines:

2.5.3.4 A description of the alternative site.

2.5.3.5 A statement of the anticipated and known financial cost of undertaking the activity on the alternative site.

2.5.3.6 A description of the anticipated and known adverse effects of undertaking the activity on the alternative site.

2.5.3.7 A description of the anticipated and known financial cost and practicality of available measures to avoid, remedy, mitigate, offset, or compensate for the anticipated and known adverse effects of the activity on the alternative site.

2.5.3.8 A description of any issues (including financial cost) that would make it impractical to undertake the activity on the alternative site.

2.5.3.9 An assessment of whether it would be reasonable and practical to undertake the activity on the alternative site, considering the matters referred to above.

2.6 Appropriateness for fast-track approvals process

Here you must explain how the project meets the referral application criteria ([section 22](#)). Please consider and respond where relevant, to each question.

If the project is planned to proceed in stages, you must explain how each stage meets the referral application criteria.

If a part of the project is proposed as an alternative project, you must explain how each stage meets the referral application criteria,

2.6.1 The criteria for accepting a referral application is that the project is an infrastructure or development project that would have significant regional or national benefits. Explain how this project satisfies the criteria:

Economic research and consulting firm Market Economics have prepared a preliminary assessment of the economic impacts of the Brick Bay Lodge (the Economic Assessment).

Through the modelling and economic analysis, the Economic Assessment concludes that Brick Bay Lodge would generate substantial economic benefits through construction activity, ongoing operations, fiscal contributions and ancillary spending by international guests.

Section 3 of the Economics Assessment establishes the theoretical and empirical basis for how a project such as Brick Bay Lodge – which will be funded by international capital and targeted at international visitors – can generate economic benefits for New Zealand.

The project directly supports the Government's Going for Growth agenda, Tourism New Zealand's export growth targets and the broader objective of increasing the unit value of tourism. It addresses an identified gap in luxury accommodation supply, particularly in proximity to Auckland.

The Government's Going for Growth agenda (2025) targets a doubling of New Zealand's exports within ten years. Tourism is explicitly identified as a sector with the capacity and potential to contribute to this objective. Brick Bay Lodge, designed to attract high-spending international visitors, is directly aligned with this ambition. The concentration of high-value visitors at a single facility generates not only direct export revenue but also ancillary economic activity that would not otherwise occur in the New Zealand economy. Brick Bay Lodge will align with the Government's tourism policies and Tourism New Zealand's strategies by delivering high-value, low-impact tourism that drives economic growth and sustainability. Key alignment areas include adopting environmental stewardship, offering authentic Māori cultural experiences, investing in local communities, and providing high-quality employment.

2.6.2 Explain how referring the project to the fast-track approvals process:

2.6.2.1 Would facilitate the project, including by enabling it to be processed in a more timely and cost-effective way than under normal processes; and

Referring the project to the fast-track approvals process would facilitate the project, including by enabling it to be processed in a more timely and cost-effective way than under normal approval processes.

The project would require various complex interrelated approvals to be assessed and issued by multiple agencies (namely Auckland Council, NZ Heritage and Department of Conservation). Resource consents required to be processed by the Auckland Council under normal processes will be for land use, subdivision and likely for various regional water permits and discharge consents, which will require a coordinated approach. There is a reasonable likelihood that such approvals would be processed on a notified basis by the Council. The resource management issues applicable to the site have a degree of complexity with various intersecting overlays on the coastal edge of the property. Cultural heritage and ecological matters require careful management and coordination between agencies on approaches and conditions.

The project seeks to have construction commencing in 2027, the lodge opening in 2029 and the final units being finished by 2031. Given the number of approvals required for the project from multiple agencies, the interrelated nature of these approvals and the need to ensure the project programme is met, referring the project to the fast-track approvals process would facilitate the project.

Several aspects of the project will trigger a non-complying activity consent under the Auckland Unitary Plan, including subdivision of the site into unit titles around the proposed visitor accommodation suites. The fast-track approvals process will facilitate the Project because the requirements of s104D of the RMA for non-complying activities do not apply under the Act. This means that the Project, which will be a non-complying activity overall under the Unitary Plan, does not have to pass the additional 'gateway test' and demonstrate its effects are no more than minor or that it is not contrary to the objectives and policies in the relevant plans under the FTAA.

The Substantive Application will be prepared in a thorough and professional manner, and include all the information required for the approvals sought as set out in the FTAA. All approvals required to facilitate the project will be identified in the Substantive Application. A full suite of consent conditions for each approval sought will be presented with the Substantive Application, prepared in a manner consistent with typical conditions imposed by the agencies and suitable to manage actual and potential effects of the project.

The applicant's expert and legal team will be available post lodgement to assist the Expert Panel in relation to any questions it may have and to engage on any feedback the Expert Panel receives through the process. This approach will enable efficient processing and consideration of the application by the Expert Panel and, therefore, referring the project to the fast-track approvals process is unlikely to materially affect the efficient operation of the fast-track approvals process.

Overall, the fast-track consenting framework would facilitate the project by utilising a more streamlined consenting process, ensure integration across the agencies and avoid delays associated with traditional consenting processes. By enabling the Project to utilise the fast-track consenting process, this will enable the earlier commencement of construction, employment opportunities, economic stimulation and all other regional and national benefits of the Project to be delivered and realised within a much faster timeframe.

2.6.2.2 Is unlikely to materially affect the efficient operation of the fast-track approvals process

2.6.2.3 Has the project been identified as a priority project in a central government, local government, or sector plan or strategy (for example, in a general policy statement or spatial strategy), or a central government infrastructure priority list?

For example – a sector plan that specifically identifies the project including details such as location.

No

- a. Identify the plan, strategy or list (or any other relevant document).

2.6.2.4 Will the project deliver new regionally or nationally significant infrastructure or enable the continued functioning of existing regionally or nationally significant infrastructure?

No

- a. Explain how the project will deliver this.

2.6.2.5 Will the project increase the supply of housing, address housing needs, or contribute to a well-functioning urban environment (within the meaning of policy 1 of the National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020). If yes, explain how the project will achieve this.

2.6.2.6 Will the project deliver significant economic benefits, and if so, how?

The Economic Assessment concludes that the economic case for Brick Bay Lodge is strong in the context of the FTAA. The project will deliver significant and sustained economic benefits to the Auckland region and to New Zealand, commencing during construction and extending over a 30-year operational horizon.

The quantified benefits are large. Construction and operational expenditure will generate value added contributions to GDP of between \$630m and \$1.3bn over the appraisal period, depending on cost scenario and discount rate. International visitor expenditure, GST and local government rates add a further \$136m – \$488m in net present value. These estimates are conservative throughout: they exclude corporate tax, income tax on rental distributions, domestic visitor spending and several other revenue streams that have not been quantified as yet.

The project will sustain approximately 140 operational jobs per year alongside the construction workforce of 185 – 190 direct positions per year during the build phase. These jobs represent the creation of high-quality employment in a sector where New Zealand has a strategic opportunity and a productivity deficit.

Beyond the quantified outputs, the economic rationale is enhanced by the nature of the investment. Brick Bay Lodge involves approximately \$390m in greenfield equity Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) at a time when New Zealand's FDI stock is 15 percentage points below the OECD median. Academic and policy literature reviewed demonstrates that this form of investment – equity-based, integrated with supply chains and situated in a country with good baseline

conditions – generates the most favourable outcomes for host economies.

The economic evidence supports the conclusion that Brick Bay Lodge satisfies the FTAA threshold for significant economic benefits at both a regional and national level.

2.6.2.7 Will the project support primary industries, including aquaculture, and if so, how?

2.6.2.8 Will the project support development of natural resources, including minerals and petroleum, and if so, how?

2.6.2.9 Will the project support climate change mitigation, including the reduction or removal of greenhouse gas emissions, and if so, how?

2.6.2.10 Will the project support climate change adaptation, reduce risks arising from natural hazards, or support recovery from events caused by natural hazards, and if so, how?

2.6.2.11 Will the project address significant environmental issues, and if so, how?

2.6.2.12 Is the project consistent with local or regional planning documents, including spatial strategies, and if so, how?

The relevant local and regional planning document is the Auckland Unitary Plan (AUP). The project is consistent with the AUP outcomes sought for the Rural Coastal Zone which applies to the site, in that it will:

- Ensure buildings will be of a scale and intensity that do not detract from the zone's rural and coastal character and amenity values.
- Enable the development and operation of activities that provide recreational and local non-residential services where they maintain and enhance the zone's rural and coastal character, amenity values, landscape and biodiversity values.
- Meet the outcome sought whereby larger scale tourist facilities in the Rural Coastal Zone, including tourist accommodation, are concentrated in rural and coastal towns by virtue of the Site's immediate adjacency and connection to the Snell's Beach Settlement.
- Protect the area's Outstanding and High Natural Character and landscape values and its ecological, recreation and amenity values.

Section 3: Project details

Remember: at this stage only a general level of detail is required, enough to inform eligibility to use the fast-track approvals process.

For construction activities, please state the anticipated commencement and completion dates.

Subject to obtaining approval for the Substantive Application, construction on the project is anticipated to commence in 2027, the first tranche of lodge facilities opening in 2029 and the final units being finished by 2031.

3.1 Approvals required

Applications must specify all of the proposed approvals sought but only need to provide a general level of detail about each proposed approval, sufficient to inform the Minister's decision on the referral application.

For each proposed approval an applicant must be eligible to apply for any corresponding approval under a specified Act. For example, if an approval is for a notice of requirement under the RMA, the applicant for that approval would need to be a requiring authority.

Applications for approvals under a specified Act, as required by in [section 13\(4\)\(y\)](#), are covered below in 3.8 Specific proposed approvals.

3.1.1 Outline the approvals sought under the Resource Management Act 1991.

The following resource consents may or will likely be required under the Auckland Unitary Plan that would otherwise be required under the Resource Management Act 1991:

- Land use consent for buildings and structures in a High Natural Character and Outstanding Natural Landscape Overlay (Chapter D11 Outstanding Natural Character and High Natural Character Overlay);
- Land use consent for activities within an identified extent of place - potentially in relation to the scheduled pā and subject to survey (Chapter D17 Historic Heritage Overlay);
- Consent for activities in, on, under, or over the bed of streams and wetlands and associated diversion of water as may be required for any culverts, other works or land disturbances in or nearby permanent or intermittent watercourses or wetlands on the property (Chapter E3 Lakes, rivers, streams and wetlands);
- Discharge consents for on-site wastewater treatment and disposal to land – should the option need to be taken up and subject to discussions with Watercare about connection to the adjacent Snells Beach wastewater system (Chapter E5 On-site and small scale wastewater treatment and disposal);
- Water permits for the taking, using, damming and diversion of water and drilling should that be required for potable or other water supply purposes through on site bore water supply – subject to the ability to connect the Snells Beach water supply network

(Chapter E7 Taking, using, damming and diversion of water and drilling);

- Consent for the diversion and discharge of stormwater runoff from impervious areas onto or into land or into water or to the coastal marine area (Chapter E8 Stormwater – Discharge and diversion);
- Land use consents for high contaminant generating car parks and high use roads – subject to parking area and road design (Chapter E9 Stormwater quality – High contaminant generating car parks and high use roads);
- Land use consents for land disturbance (regional) (Chapter E11 Land disturbance – Regional);
- Land use consents for land disturbance (district) (Chapter E12 Land disturbance – District);
- Land use consents for vegetation alteration or removal, including in relation to vegetation and biodiversity management in overlay rules (SEA, HNC and ONL) (E15 Vegetation management and biodiversity);
- Land use consent for parking, loading and access which is an accessory activity but which does not comply with the standards for parking, loading and access – subject to design of parking areas, access widths, passing bays, gradients etc, and possibly the trip generation thresholds (Chapter E27 Transport);
- Land use consent for activities on land in the coastal erosion hazard area, land which may be subject to land instability and landslide risk including in relation to the provisions which have immediate legal effect under Plan Change 120 – subject to further technical investigation (E36 Natural hazards and flooding);
- Subdivision consent for boundary adjustments, subdivision of land within a natural hazard area, creation of fee simple titles, creation of unit titles – all as required (E39 Subdivision – Rural);
- Land use consent for Visitor Accommodation and ancillary activities, including food and beverage, recreation and helicopter landing and take-off (Chapter H19 Rural zones). In addition, consents may also be required under the following National Environmental Standards:
 - Resource Management (National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health) Regulations 2011 - subject to assessment of any potentially contaminated land.
 - Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Freshwater) Regulations 2020: Part 3 Activities that Apply to Freshwater – subject to design and assessment of earthworks and discharges in proximity to any natural inland wetlands.

3.1.2 Outline the approvals sought under the Conservation Act 1987

3.1.3 Outline the approvals sought under the Reserves Act 1977

3.1.4 Outline the approvals sought under the Wildlife Act 1953

Wildlife approval that would otherwise be applied for under the Wildlife Act 1953 to allow for the capture, relocation and incidental killing of lizards.

3.1.5 Outline the approvals sought under the National Parks Act 1980

3.1.6 Outline the approvals sought under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014

Authority to modify an archaeological site (unrecorded and recorded, as required) under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014

3.1.7 Outline the approvals sought under the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1983

3.1.8 Outline the approvals sought under the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) Act 2012

3.1.9 Outline the approvals sought under the Crown Minerals Act 1991

3.1.10 Outline the approvals sought under the Public Works Act 1981

3.1.11 *Only applicable if more than one applicant:* Provide a statement of which approvals are proposed to be held by which applicant.

3.1.12 Where there are any particular eligibility requirements to apply for an above approval; identify what they are, who the relevant applicant is, and confirm that the relevant applicant meets those requirements (including providing any necessary supporting information or documentation to evidence this).

3.1.13 Are there any other types of consents, certificates, designations, concessions, and other legal authorisations (other than contractual authorisations or the proposed approvals) and you consider are needed to authorise the project (including any that may be needed by someone other than you as the applicant(s)). Provide details on whether these have been obtained.

No

3.2 Project stages

3.2.1 If the project is planned to proceed in stages, provide: No

1. A statement of whether the project is planned to proceed in stages, including:
 - a. an outline of the nature, scale and timing of the stages; and
 - b. a statement of whether you intend to lodge a separate substantive application for each of the stages.
 - i. If a substantive application is intended to be lodged for each stage, address the questions under the section (Appropriateness for fast-track approvals process) for each stage of the project

3.3 Alternative project

3.3.1 If the project is proposed as an alternative project, provide: No

1. A statement of whether a part of the project is proposed as an alternative project in itself; and
 - a. Describe that part of the project; and
 - b. Explain how that part of the project proposed as an alternative project meets the referral assessment criteria in [section 22](#) of the Act.

3.4 Adverse effects

3.4.1 Describe any anticipated and known adverse effects of the project on the environment.

Economic analysis has identified no major adverse economic effects with considerable economic benefits instead identified.

An MOU developed with Ngāti Manuhiri establishes a solid foundation for the applicant to work in close collaboration with Ngāti Manuhiri as the project develops, to ensure that the cultural values of Ngāti Manuhiri are properly understood and incorporated into the design, construction and operation of the lodge. The applicant has sought responses also from the other iwi, hapū and Treaty Settlement entities identified.

Maintaining the landscape, natural character and visual amenity of the site is a key design objective for the Master Plan to date and that will be further developed through the next phases of design. The relatively complex contour of the site and existing vegetation allow ample opportunities for these outcomes to be realised at site planning and then further ensured through the design of lodge buildings, access roads and further planting. The Substantive Application will be accompanied by a Landscape, Visual and Natural Character Assessment setting out such effects and related mitigation and providing an assessment in relation to the various overlays that apply over certain parts of the site.

The Master Plan has been designed to avoid known archaeological sites, including

the headland pā. As noted above, there is opportunity working with mana whenua to celebrate further the pā through visitor cultural experience, while maintaining appropriate tikanga. Any impacts to archaeological sites that cannot be avoided will be able to be appropriately managed through archaeological investigation under an authority issued.

Based on the preliminary assessment, there are no ecological constraints that would preclude the proposed development, subject to appropriate design refinement and implementation of mitigation measures. It is further concluded that the proposal represents a managed interaction with the SEA, with potential to maintain and enhance ecological values at both the site and landscape scale.

The Site is well connected and easily accessed from Central Auckland and the Auckland International Airport, with connections to the north set for improvements also. Further traffic engineering assessment and design will be undertaken to support the Substantive Application. At this preliminary stage there would not appear to be any fundamental traffic or transport impediments. Travel Demand Management Planning will be able to be employed to manage traffic associated with the various uses on the Site, which will operate in a complementary manner. The Site immediately adjoins urban services at Snells Beach and in part is already serviced from these. The preferred solution is to extend the wastewater and water network in Arabella Lane. Further engagement with Watercare on wastewater and water supply will occur, as it will with Auckland Council's Healthy Waters on the stormwater solution. Onsite wastewater disposal and water supply would be the alternative if connections to the adjoining urban services are not possible.

By the nature of the proposed activity which will promote a quiet and peaceful rural experience, the lodge will have relatively benign effects in respect to noise and lighting. An assessment will be made of proposed helicopter activity in particular against relevant standards by a qualified acoustician and included with the Substantive Application.

Overall, at this preliminary stage it is concluded that there will be no adverse effects associated with the project that cannot be properly avoided, remedied or mitigated as informed by the next stage of detailed investigation and design, and through conditions to be offered with the Substantive Application for the approvals sought. No adverse impacts have been identified that would be out of proportion to the project's regional or national benefits.

3.4.2 Provide a statement of any activities involved in the project that are prohibited activities under the Resource Management Act 1991, and identify the relevant prohibited activity provision.

Section 13(4)(i) FTAA requires a statement of any activities involved in the project that are prohibited activities under the RMA 1991.

There are no prohibited activities identified at this stage in the project.

In respect to the prohibited activities set out in section 53 of the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Freshwater) Regulations 2020 (NES:F), the initial ecological assessment is that there will be no earthworks within the wetland identified on

the Site (wetland next to site 9) and any taking, use, damming, or diversion of water will not result in the complete or partial drainage of all or part of this wetland, and as such will not trigger any prohibited activity.

Although there are no other obvious natural inland wetlands within the property that will be or will likely to be affected by the proposal, a full wetland delineation survey has yet to be undertaken. As such, there is the remote possibility that a prohibited activity will be triggered by works in relation to as-yet unidentified wetlands under the NES:F.

3.5 Persons affected

3.5.1 Provide a list of the persons, groups and/or entities who you consider are likely to be affected by the project.

The list should include, as relevant, local authorities, relevant Māori groups (as set out at [section 13\(4\)\(j\)\(ii\)-\(vii\)](#) of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024), persons with a registered interest in land that may need to be acquired under the Public Works Act 198; and if the project includes a land exchange, the holder of an interest in the land that is to be exchanged by the Crown (see [Consultation requirements for referral application](#)).

Auckland Council
New Zealand Heritage Pouhere Taonga
Department of Conservation
Ngāti Manuhiri Settlement Trust
Ngāti Paoa Iwi Trust
Te Ara Rangatū o te Iwi o Ngāti Te Ata Waiohū
Ngāti Whanaunga Incorporated
Ngāti Whātua Ōrakei Trust
Ngātiwai Trust Board
Ngā Maunga Whakahii o Kaipara Development Trust
Ngāti Maru Rūnanga Trust
Te Kawerau Iwi Settlement Trust
Ngāi Tai ki Tamaki Tribal Trust
Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua
Ngaati Whanaunga Ruunanga Trust
Ngāti Tamaterā Treaty Settlement Trust
Taonga o Marutūāhu Trustee Limited/Marutūāhu Rōpū Limited Partnership

3.5.2 Provide a summary of any consultation undertaken with the above persons and/or groups who you consider are likely to be affected by the project, and any other groups required to be consulted with under [section 11](#) of the Act, **and** how the consultation has informed the project.

Consultation in relation to the project has taken place prior to the 31 March 2026 commencement of the amendments to sections 11 and 13, with Auckland Council, New Zealand Heritage Pouhere Taonga, the Department of Conservation, and the Ngāti Manuhiri Settlement Trust.

A summary of this consultation, any meeting notes or written feedback received and a

description of how it has informed the project is set out in the Consultation Summary Report in Appendix 8 of the Referral Application Report prepared by Peter Hall Planning Limited dated 14/04/26.

3.5.3 List any Treaty settlements that apply to the project area and provide a summary of the relevant principles and provisions in those settlements.

The following Treaty Settlements apply in relation to the project area:

Ngāti Manuhiri Claims Settlement Act 2012
Te Kawerau ā Maki Claims Settlement Act 2015
Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki Claims Settlement Act 2018
Ngāti Pāoa Claims Settlement Act 2025
Ngaati Whanaunga (Initialled Deed of Settlement 2017)
Ngāti Maru (Initialled Deed of Settlement 2017)
Ngāti Tamaterā (Initialled Deed of Settlement 2017)
Marutūāhu Iwi Collective Redress Deed 2017

A review of these settlements does not show any redress or other such obligations in relation to the Site.

The exceptions are the Ngāti Manuhiri Claims Settlement Act 2012 (which has a statutory acknowledgement over part of the Site and the coastal area adjacent the Site) and the Te Kawerau ā Maki Claims Settlement Act 2015 and Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki Claims Settlement Act 2018 (which have statutory acknowledgements over the coastal area adjacent the Site). The purposes of these statutory acknowledgement areas are —

- a. to require relevant consent authorities, the Environment Court, and the Historic Places Trust to have regard to the statutory acknowledgement; and
- b. to require relevant consent authorities to forward summaries of resource consent applications, or copies of notices of resource consent applications, to the relevant entity; and
- c. enable the relevant entity to cite the statutory acknowledgement as evidence of the association.

3.5.4 If relevant, detail any principles or provisions in the Ngā Rohe Moana o Ngā Hapū o Ngāti Porou Act 2019 that would be invoked by the project and identify which aspects of the application trigger or otherwise invoke these requirements.

Not applicable

3.5.5 Will the project be located on land returned under a Treaty settlement?

No

3.5.6 Provide evidence of written agreement by the owners of the land returned.

3.5.7 Describe any processes already undertaken under the Public Works Act 1981 in relation to the project:

None applicable

3.5.8 Provide information identifying any parcels of Māori land, marae, or identified wāhi tapu within the project area:

None applicable

3.6 Legal interests

3.6.1 Provide a description of any legal interests you or any others applying, have in the land on which the project will occur, including a statement of how that affects your ability to undertake the work.

The applicants are joint owners of the Site (refer Title ID 838486, wherein Richard Didsbury and Christine Didsbury are owners of the subject site each having an equal ½ share). That ownership does not impose any impediment to the applicant's ability to undertake the work.

Legal and physical access the subject site from Arabella Lane is over the adjoining Lot 1 Deposited Plan 537534 (refer title ID 894427), held by Brick Bay Trustee Limited. Richard Didsbury and Christine Didsbury are the two directors of Brick Bay Trustee Limited, and so provision of this access including securing any necessary easements and undertaking physical works, does not affect the applicant's ability to undertake the work.

3.7 Other matters

3.7.1 Have any activities included in the project, or any that are substantially the same as those involved in the project, previously been the subject of an application or a decision under a specified Act?

Please note the term 'application' includes a notice of requirement and any other means by which a decision may be sought under a specified Act.

No

3.7.2 If an application has been made, provide details of the application.

3.7.3 If a decision has been made, also provide the outcome of the decision and the reasons for it.

3.7.4 Provide a description of whether and how the project would be affected by climate change and natural hazards:

Natural hazards are mapped by Auckland Council, including most recently updated in 2025 under Plan Change 120, using current and cautious climate change predictions. The elevation of the project site means that it will not be subject to coastal inundation, nor is it subject to flood risk apart from the wetland on the property which is not proposed to

be developed.

Plan Change 120 mapping shows only the mostly vegetated coastal edge of the property as subject to varying degrees of Areas Susceptible to Coastal Instability and Erosion (ASCIE) based on different predicted effects of climate change. In relation to coastal erosion hazards, PC120 requires that the methodology from TR2020/21 be used to assess coastal erosion; this being a quantitative assessment which predicts a shoreline recession. For the main, the proposed lodge development avoids the areas identified under these scenarios, with the exception of some units and tree houses being located within the coastal erosion zone. A coastal hazard engineering assessment will be undertaken as part of further detailed masterplanning and assessment work in relation to these activities.

Provide the additional details requested below as relevant to your application.

3.8 Specific proposed approvals

3.8.1 Approvals under the Resource Management Act 1991

3.8.1.1 *Resource consents*

If your application is seeking a consent for an activity that would otherwise be applied for under the Resource Management Act 1991, including an activity that is prohibited under the Act, provide the information below:

- An assessment of the project against any relevant national policy statement, any relevant national environmental standards and, if relevant, the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement.

Refer section 3.23 of the Referral Application Report prepared by Peter Hall Planning Limited dated 14/04/26.

- Information on whether, to the best of your knowledge, there are any existing resource consents relevant to the project site to which RMA [section 124C\(1\)\(c\)](#) (existing consent would need to expire to enable the approval to be exercised) or RMA [section 165Z1](#) (space already occupied by the holder of an aquaculture permit) would apply if the approval were to be applied for as a resource consent under that Act

None applicable

3.8.1.2 *Resource consents where the project includes standard freshwater fisheries activities*

If your application is seeking a resource consent and your project includes a [standard freshwater fisheries activity](#), provide the information requested below:

- If an in-stream structure is proposed (including formal notification of any dam or diversion structure), provide a description of the extent to which this may impede fish passage.

None proposed

- Indicate whether any fish salvage activities or other complex freshwater fisheries activities are proposed.
None proposed

3.8.1.3 *Designations*

If your application is seeking a designation or an alteration to an existing designation for which a notice of requirement would otherwise be lodged under the Resource Management Act 1991, provide the information below:

- An assessment of the project against any relevant national policy statement, any relevant national environmental standards, or, if relevant, the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement.
Not applicable

3.8.1.4 *Designations where the project includes a standard freshwater fisheries activity*

If your application is seeking a designation or an alteration to an existing designation and your project includes a [standard freshwater fisheries activity](#), provide the information requested below:

- If an in-stream structure is proposed (including formal notification of any dam or diversion structure), provide a description of the extent to which this may impede fish passage.
- Indicate whether any fish salvage activities or other complex freshwater fisheries activities are proposed.
None

3.8.1.5 *Change or cancellation of conditions*

If your application is seeking a change of cancellation of resource consent condition that would otherwise be applied for under the Resource Management Act 1991, provide:

- Information about whether the change or cancellation of the condition is material to the implementation or delivery of the project.
Not applicable

3.8.1.6 *Certificates of compliance*

If your application is seeking a certificate of compliance that would otherwise be applied for under the Resource Management Act 1991, provide:

information that demonstrates the activity that the certificate of compliance is intended to cover can be done lawfully in the location without a resource consent.

Not applicable

3.8.2 Approvals relating to [Conservation Act 1987](#), [Reserves Act 1977](#), [Wildlife Act 1953](#), and [National Parks Act 1980](#)

3.8.2.1 *Concessions*

For applications seeking a [concession](#) that include a lease, answer the following:

- Will the lease be for a term (including any renewals that will, or is likely to, be more than 50 years?
No
- Will the granting of the lease trigger a right of first refusal or a right of offer or return?
 - If you answered yes to both a. and b. above, provide evidence that the applicant has written agreement from the holder(s) of the right of first refusal or [right of offer or return](#) to waive that right for the purposes of the proposed lease.

3.8.2.2 *Land exchanges*

For applications seeking an approval for a land exchange involving conservation land, provide the details below:

No

- A description of both land areas proposed for exchange (for example, maps showing areas and location, addresses and legal descriptions where possible)
- The financial value of the land proposed to be acquired by the Crown
- A brief description of the conservation values of both pieces of land, including an explanation of why the exchange would benefit the conservation estate.
- If the land exchange would trigger a right of first refusal or a right of offer or return, provide evidence that the applicant has written agreement from the holder of the right of first refusal or right of offer or return to waive that right for the purpose of the land exchange

- Provide sufficient detail in respect of both land areas to confirm that no part of any land to be exchanged by the Crown is land listed in [Schedule 4](#) or a reserve declared to be a national reserve under [section 13](#) of the Reserves Act 1977.

3.8.3 Approvals relating to complex Freshwater Fisheries activities

If your application is seeking an approval or dispensation that would otherwise be applied for under regulation [42](#) or [43](#) of the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1983 in respect of a [complex freshwater fisheries activity](#) provide the information requested below:

- Whether an in-stream structure is proposed (including formal notification of any dam or diversion structure), and a description of the extent to which this may impede fish passage.
- Whether any fish salvage activities or other complex freshwater fisheries activities are proposed.

3.8.4 Approvals relating to [Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf \(Environmental Effects\) Act 2012](#)

If your application is seeking a marine consent that would otherwise be applied for under the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf Act 2012, provide the information requested below:

- Any information relating to whether the Minister for Conservation is an affected person.
- If the applicant or the proposed holder of the marine consent has already applied for a consent under the EEZ Act in relation to the project, provide:
 - Details of any application made;
 - An explanation of any decisions made on that application; and
 - Any information that Minister may consider under [section 22\(6\)](#) (comparison of activity against current or likely use of the area).
- Additional information (in a summary form) about compliance or enforcement action taken against the applicant or the person who is identified in the application as the proposed holder of the marine consent by the EPA under the EEZ Act.

3.8.5 [Approvals relating to Crown Minerals Act 1991](#)

3.8.5.1 *Access arrangements*

For an approval for an access arrangement that would otherwise be applied for under section 61 or 61B of the Crown Minerals Act 1991, provide:

- Information that confirms the applicant or the person identified in the application as the proposed holder of the access arrangement complies with [section 59](#)(1) and (2) of the Crown Minerals Act 1991 (which applies as if a reference to an access arrangement under that Act were a reference to an access arrangement under this Act) including;
 - Evidence that the applicant or person has provided each owner and occupier of the relevant land a notice in writing of their intention to obtain an access arrangement; and
 - Evidence that the notice complies with the requirements in [section 59](#)(2) of the Crown Minerals Act, and any matters required by regulations. =

3.8.5.2 *Mining permits*

For an approval for a mining permit that would otherwise be applied for under [section 23A](#) of the Crown Minerals Act 1991, provide the information requested below:

- A copy of the relevant exploration permit or existing privilege to be exchanged for a mining permit that entitles the holder to mine a Crown-owned mineral.
- The name and contact details of the proposed permit participants and the proposed permit operator.
- A proposed work programme for the proposed permit, which may comprise committed work, committed or contingent work, or both.
- Evidence of the technical or financial capability of the proposed permit holder to comply with and give proper effect to the work programme.
- Information about the proposed permit holder's history of compliance with mining or similar permits and their conditions.
- The proposed date on which the substantive application is intended to be lodged (if your referral application is accepted) in accordance with [section 42](#)(11).
- If the authorised person proposes to provide information under [section 37](#) (to the relevant chief executive), the date on which the person intends to provide that information.

- The proposed duration of the permit.

3.8.5.3 *Mining permits for petroleum*

If the proposed approvals include a mining permit for petroleum, provide:

- A map of the area over which the mining permit application is intended to be made, the area in which the surrender of an exploration permit or existing privileges is proposed (which must be the same area as the area over which the mining permit application is intended to be made), and the extent of the resource and reserves to which the development plan relates.
- The resources and reserves relating to the project, estimated in accordance with the Petroleum Resources Management System.
- A high-level overview of the following:
 - the proposed field development plan;
 - the proposed date for the commencement of petroleum production;
 - the economic model for the project;
 - the proposed duration of the proposed mining permit and;
 - decommissioning plans.

3.8.5.4 *Mining permits for minerals other than petroleum*

If the proposed approvals include a mining permit for minerals other than petroleum, provide:

- A map of the area over which the mining permit application is intended to be made, the area in which the surrender of an exploration permit or existing privileges is proposed (which must be the same area as the area over which the mining permit application is intended to be made), and the extent of the resource and reserves to which the development plan relates.
- For minerals other than gold or silver, a report or statement confirming the ownership of the minerals targeted
- Information on whether the application will be for a [Tier 1 or Tier 2 permit](#).
- An estimate of the mineral resources and reserves relating to the project, including a summary on acquisition of the data and the data underpinning the estimate (such as

information on sample locations, grade, and geology). For a Tier 1 permit application the resources and reserves relating to the project are to be estimated in accordance with a recognised reporting code such as JORC or NI 43-101.

- An indicative mine plan.

- A high-level overview of the following:
 - the proposed mining method;
 - the proposed date for the commencement of mining and estimated annual production;
 - the economic model for the project;
 - the status of or anticipated timing for completing any pre-feasibility or feasibility studies;
 - the proposed methods for processing mined material and handling and treating waste and;
 - anticipated plans for mine closure and rehabilitation.

Section 4: Authorisation

To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this application is true and correct.

I confirm that I am authorised to make this application - Yes

I have provided a copy of the application with all contact details redacted - Yes

I understand that all actual and reasonable costs incurred in relation to this application by MfE, EPA and other central and local government agencies will be recovered from me in accordance with [section 104](#) of the Act, and the [Fast-track Approvals Cost Recovery Regulations 2025](#) - Yes

Signature: *P R Hall*

Date: 4/15/2026

Name: Peter Raymond Hall

Section 5: Attachments

List any documents submitted with the application.

- Remember: include a copy of your application with all contact details redacted.

Attachment number	Document name	Author	Document version

Referral application checklist

Use this checklist to confirm you have completed all sections of the referral application form.

Section 1: Applicant details	No
1.2 & 1.3 Agent's evidence of authority to represent the applicant(s) - if applicable	No
1.4 Compliance and enforcement history	No
Section 2: Referral application summary	No
2.1 Project name	No
2.2 Project description and location	No
2.3 Ineligible activity	No
2.4 Exemptions from requirement to provide agreement	No
2.5 Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24	No
2.6 Appropriateness for fast-track approvals process	No
Section 3: Project details	No
3.1 Approvals required	No
3.2 Project stages	No

3.3 Alternative project	No
3.4 Adverse effects	No
3.5 Persons affected	No
3.6 Legal interest	No
3.7 Other matters	No
3.8 Specific proposed approvals	No
Section 4: Authorisation	No
Section 5: Attachments	No