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### Comments on draft decision and conditions - FTAA-2510-1120

- 1 This letter is provided on behalf of Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua, Te Rūnanga o Waihao, and Te Rūnanga o Moeraki (collectively, *Kā Rūnaka*) and Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu (*TRoNT*) in relation to the draft decision and conditions for the application by Meridian Energy Limited (*Meridian*) to take additional water from Lake Pūkaki and install rock armouring on Pūkaki Dam (FTAA-2510-1120).  
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- 2 Kā Rūnaka and TRoNT appreciate the opportunity to comment on the draft decision and conditions. Having undertaken a detailed review of the draft decision, we confirm that the information in relation to Part D: Iwi Authorities is fair and accurate.
- 3 Kā Rūnaka and TRoNT have undertaken a detailed review of the draft conditions of consent, which were previously agreed with Meridian. TRoNT considers two minor amendments to the conditions of CRC262542 Section 15 Consent to discharge of contaminants to air are appropriate to:
  - (a) Revert to the previous structure of condition 4 to ensure the requirement in 4(d) to notify TRoNT that the campsite and campervan parking area may close is separate to the notification 10 working days prior to activities starting; and
  - (b) Include TRoNT in the parties that should be notified when works recommence after being discontinued in condition 5.
- 4 These proposed amendments are marked up in the **Appendix**.
- 5 As recorded in the combined section 53 comment document, there is a Ngāi Tahu Nohoanga entitlement in the vicinity of the proposed works, adjacent to the LINZ campsite and parking area. As the Nohoanga entitlement is immediately adjacent the campsite, any potential effects on campers will also impact on Ngai Tahu utilising the Nohonaga entitlement. The application in section 11.3.3 (page 87) discusses the potential mitigation of closing the campsite and car park as it "*may be warranted when construction activities are taking place and weather forecasts are very adverse for dust generation*".
- 6 The amendments to condition four that were agreed with Meridian were intended to ensure that TRoNT is aware of any potential closure and be part of the discussions regarding potentially closing the campsite, noting the potential impact on the Nohoanga entitlement. In the condition as previously drafted, the requirement to notify if a campsite closure may be required was separate to the general requirement to notify ahead of works commencing. Combining this requirement with the general requirement to notify 10 working days prior to works commencing may not be effective, as we understand that the campsite would only be closed if dust was likely to be a problem due to the weather forecast, which is unlikely to be know 10 days in advance.
- 7 We are therefore proposing that condition 4 be amended to return to the previous structure.

- 8 The Nohoanga Team managing the entitlement would also appreciate being notified when works are restarting after a period of stopping to be able to inform whānau using the entitlement, ensuring that health and safety is protected and the Nohoanga Team has sufficient information to make management decisions regarding the Nohoanga site.
- 9 These amendments have been discussed with, and are supported by, Meridian.

Nāku noa, nā  
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**Appendix – amendments to CRC262542 Section 15 Consent to discharge of contaminants to air conditions 4 and 5**

4. The consent holder must notify Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu ([nohoanga@ngaitahu.iwi.nz](mailto:nohoanga@ngaitahu.iwi.nz)), and Canterbury Regional Council (Attention: Manager Compliance):

a. at least ten working days before the start of any activities authorised by this consent.

The notification shall include:

ai. The proposed start and end dates of the period of work;

bii. The proposed start and end time of activity on each day during the period of works; and

eiii. Where the consent is to be exercised by a person other than the consent holder, the name, address and contact telephone number of the persons exercising the consent; ~~and~~

~~db. Whether~~ If the consent holder is considering closing the campsite and campervan parking area as a result of dust generation arising from the exercise of this consent. (**Note:** Any decision to close the campsite shall be undertaken in consultation with Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu Nohoanga Team and LINZ).

5. Where works have been discontinued for more than eight consecutive days the Canterbury Regional Council (Attention: Compliance Manager) and Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu ([nohoanga@ngaitahu.iwi.nz](mailto:nohoanga@ngaitahu.iwi.nz)) shall be re-notified at least five working days prior to the recommencement of works.