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Dear Jo

Private plan change application – 546 and 646 McNicol Road and 439 Otau Mountain Road, Clevedon – further information request (without prejudice)

Auckland Council has now completed a review of the further information provided with the assistance of its various experts and requests the following additional information pursuant to clause 23 of the First Schedule to the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA).

The following further information is considered necessary in order to better understanding under clause 23(2) of Schedule 1 of the RMA.

Landscape Assessment

The landscape analysis received contains the following conclusion:

- 7.1 A key factor in avoiding perceived or experiential effects on the ONF from nearby off- site locations, and particularly from within the Wairoa River Gorge will be the retention of the natural landform and vegetative cover in areas adjacent to the proposed plan change quarry zone and future operation within the site.
- 7.2 Existing elevated landforms (up to RL140m) to the west of the proposed zone with maturing pine forest provide an effective visual screen from within the gorge. It is recommended an area of existing vegetation within the site (but beyond the proposed zone) be identified for retention and management as part of any resource consent for quarrying within the proposed zone.

Additional information request: Please explain how these matters are proposed to be addressed by the plan change request. If they are not proposed to be addressed please explain the consequences of future development not providing for these matters.

Terrestrial Ecology

Additional Information Request

Table 4 of the ecology report lists all herpetofauna species identified within 20km of the site. The conservation status reference is out of date and needs to be updated to reflect the updated threat status of each species in line with the 2021 Department of Conservation publication. Additionally the regional conservation status of amphibian and reptile species in Auckland was recently released. As the national and regional conservation status of individual species are not the same the regional status for each of the species in table 4 would also need to be included.

Please contact David Wren on 8150543 if you have any questions or wish to clarify any of the above.

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