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**Subject:** Te Aakitai Waiohua Formal Response Re: DIS60452274 / LUC60452275 at 1206 Great South Road Drury  
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Kia ora Colin,

TE AAKITAI WAIOHUA CULTURAL VALUES TO DRURY - The interests of Te Ākitai Waiohua in South Auckland/Manukau City are particularly strong. Historically, it is the only area in Tāmaki Makaurau since the 19th Century raupatu (land confiscations), where Te Ākitai Waiohua people managed to retain land. The areas Te Ākitai Waiohua occupied were found around various parts of South Auckland, but almost all of it was confiscated by the Crown in 1863 during the Land Wars. Today, half of the registered population of Te Ākitai Waiohua still live in South Auckland/Manukau City. As part of its Treaty of Waitangi settlement, Te Ākitai Waiohua has been offered two statutory acknowledgements as cultural redress at Drury Conservation Area and Drury Creek Islands Recreation Reserve. These offers have been made to Te Ākitai Waiohua as settlement redress in recognition of its interests in the land.

WAI TAI / WAI MĀORI - The protection of freshwater and mauri of freshwater is a key priority for kaitiaki. For Te Ākitai Waiohua the wai (water) is an inseparable part of our whakapapa and our identity, and is a fundamental part of what drives our very existence. The future health and wellbeing of our waters are a matter of utmost importance to Te Ākitai Waiohua and action is required to protect, restore and maintain the health and mauri of our waterways, stop further degradation and loss and reverse past damage. Genuine partnership in water governance and planning is sought to give effect to Te Ākitai Waiohua customary dominion (ownership) of freshwater within their rohe. Te Ākitai Waiohua have an intergenerational responsibility to future proof this natural resource for future generations. Te Ākitai Waiohua assert that the mauri of wai must be maintained as a resource management priority throughout their rohe, and that the traditional and contemporary relationship between Te Ākitai Waiohua and fresh water resources be maintained.

HERITAGE - The protection of environmental, ecological, archaeological and other cultural heritage protection is a key kaitiaki priority.

MĀORI CULTURAL LANDSCAPES DEFINITION - "Areas encompassing natural or built elements, physical and metaphysical markers and sacred places. These are embedded in the whenua and give meaning and content to Mana Whenua lives and identifies relationships and dependence with tūrangawaewae on a daily basis. These include the iconic mountains, rivers, lakes and harbours. Māori cultural landscapes provide the context, narratives and cultural memory of the sites and places of significance to Mana Whenua indicating an existing or historical Mana Whenua presence."

WHENUA - The existing natural landscape, the historical landscape and the cultural landscape must be considered before urban development of that landscape can be supported. This is illustrated within the Pukaki Crater Hill Environment Court decision in relation to zoning.

Te Aakitai Waiohua confirms the following .

- The applicant has undertaken meaningful consultation with Te Aakitai Waiohua for all applicable RC applications - The applicant is seeking land use consents to undertake earthworks and establish a storage yard in the Future Urban Zone at 1206 Great South Road, Drury, Auckland. The storage yard activity will also require consent for stormwater discharge.

*Note: The footprint has been reduced to 5,000m<sup>2</sup> of hardstand in the southern portion of the property, adjacent to the existing buildings on the site. The site will accommodate Eastern Earthmovers (civil contractor), and the proposed duration of the consent is now proposed to be limited to 5 years. The originally proposed dry pond is to be retained, providing over-sized flood storage and stormwater treatment.*

Te Aakitai Waiohua do not oppose these applications providing the below outcomes outlined in this email thread are also offered as conditions of consent.

1. A cultural monitoring condition which can incorporate any accidental discovery protocols.
2. A cultural induction condition ( prior to commencement of any earthworks )
3. A blessing condition ( prior to commencement of any earthworks )
4. All kowhatu / boulders currently onsite be retained onsite / meaningfully reintegrated within the landscape areas unless the previous owners wishes to take these with them to their new place of abode.

Will please let me know if these reasonable outcomes sought can be provided for via condition's of consent.

Ngaa Mihi Nui

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