

30 November 2018

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Dear Mitch

Re: Proposed District Plan Change 83: Kiwi Point Quarry

The New Zealand Transport Agency (Transport Agency) made a submission on Proposed Plan Change 83: Kiwi Point Quarry on 15 May 2018 (DPC83 Submission No. 34). That submission was concerned with the safe and efficient function of State Highway 1, and the potential effect of quarry activities on people using State Highway 1 in the location of Kiwi Point Quarry.

The Transport Agency's submission noted that consultation with the Transport Agency had occurred prior to notification of the proposed plan change, but that the plan change documentation lacked any detailed traffic analysis. More evidence on the effects of the proposal on the transport network was sought.

Since then, a meeting with Wellington City Council representatives occurred to discuss the concerns set out in the submission. This resulted in the preparation of the report *Wellington City District Plan Proposed Plan Change 83 Kiwipoint Quarry Traffic Assessment* by Tim Kelly Transportation Planning Ltd which was provided to the Transport Agency on 17 August. In addition, the section 42A report provided in advance of the hearing (dated 19 November 2017) includes a section on the effects of the proposal on Regionally Significant Infrastructure including the state highway, and an appended report on transportation effects by Mr Robert Stephen Spence, Wellington City Council's Chief Advisor - Transport and Infrastructure. Mr Spence considered that the transportation effects from the proposed plan change will be less than minor. Generally, the Transport Agency does not dispute the findings of the Kiwipoint Quarry Traffic Assessment, and the conclusions of Mr Spence as set out in those reports.

As the concerns of and actions sought by the Transport Agency have been addressed through the discussions and reports noted above, the Transport Agency would like to withdraw its wish to be heard at the hearing for the proposed Plan Change. For clarity, please note that the Transport Agency is not withdrawing its submission, only its wish to be heard at the hearing.

Additionally, it is noted that some operational concerns were raised through the traffic assessment process, including:

- Overloaded trucks leading to spillage; and
- Truck breakdowns in the gorge causing delays.

In response the traffic assessment report stated that "occasional problems associated with material spillage to the road surface can be addressed through improved loading and monitoring procedures". The transport Agency would like to be involved in the development of improvements to procedures to address these issues. Specifically, it is considered that the process for any updates to the Quarry

Management Plan (QMP) would provide a good avenue for development and implementation of appropriate procedures, and the Transport Agency could work collaboratively with the Wellington City council and the quarry operators on the updated QMP in relation to traffic management.

I trust this letter clearly outlines the Transport Agency's position with respect to the proposal and future hearing. If you have any queries, please contact Rory Smeaton at 04 901 6770 or [rory.smeaton@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:rory.smeaton@nzta.govt.nz).

Yours sincerely  
NZ TRANSPORT AGENCY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Smeaton', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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