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Kia ora Prisca

Please see below to be shared with the office.

Thanks

Leisa

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Kia ora Leisa

Please find below an update for the Minister on **Te Tupu Ngātahi Supporting Growth Alliance**. The update outlines that Waka Kotahi is formally lodging Notices of Requirement next week and some associated risk.

Te Tupu Ngātahi Supporting Growth Alliance

Te Tupu Ngātahi Supporting Growth Alliance will formally lodge Notices of Requirement to designate the land proposed to be used for Auckland's North West transport network the week beginning 19 December. The projects has attracted some media scrutiny and public interest in terms of the potential impact on landowners particularly the rapid transit corridor proposed to run along SH16 main street in Kumeu Huapai and the alternate state highway proposed south of the Kumnue Huapai town centre.

Waka Kotahi expects further interest when these are publicly notified by Auckland Council (expected late January 2023). The team will write to landowners in the new year to let them know this has happened, how they can submit and that Auckland Council is now managing this part of the process. We intend to continue to support landowners by continuing to meet on request offering EAP assistance and are looking into using a 'Friend of the Submitter' service to assist in writing submissions. We are also have a proactive joint media plan in place to brief journalists and counteract negative coverage.

A number of projects proposed in the Supporting Growth Alliance programme are future Rapid transit corridors. To secure these corridors Waka Kotahi intends to either alter an existing State highway designation (e.g., Airport to Botany), or to issue a new Notice of Requirement for a future rapid corridor (North and Northwest Rapid Transit Corridors). As noted in previous advice to you, Waka Kotahi does not presently have requiring authority status to designate for rail or light rail-based infrastructure. The interim approach to protecting for a rapid transit corridor for the North west project is to propose a designation for a state highway with the specific purpose of supporting a, public transport/rapid transit road, similar to the approach taken for the Northern Busway project and is consistent with the approach taken for the Airport to Botany project. This is possible using Waka Kotahi state highway powers pursuant to the Land Transport Management Act 2003 (LTMA), and the Government Roding Powers Act 1989

The primary objective is to secure a PT corridor at this stage in the form of a bus rapid transit type activity, however anticipating in the future that Waka Kotahi will be able to broaden its requiring authority mandate and then alter the designation to specifically enable modes such as light rail. There is some risk in applying the interim approach as it does not enable protection of PT corridors for "mode agnostic" purpose including rail and there may be a public perception Waka Kotahi is only designating for another road based solution. Waka Kotahi can manage the risk through legal and communication processes.

Ngā mihi

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