



Transport Services Board Report

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Issues and Updates

Mt Messenger

In December 2019 the Environment Court released an interim decision on the appeals against the RMA authorisations for the Mt Messenger Project. The interim decision was positive for the Transport Agency, it agreed that the decision not to seek to acquire the Ngāti Tama land compulsorily was correct, and was complimentary about the Transport Agency's extensive consultation and engagement in developing and progressing the Project. Te Runanga's current target for completing their voting process is 9 April 2020. The Court has confirmed it will be in a position to make a final determination only once the Transport Agency has reached agreement with Ngāti Tama on the acquisition of Treaty settlement land necessary for the Project, and associated cultural mitigation measures, and has directed the Transport Agency to report back on negotiations with Ngāti Tama.

Out of scope