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# Executive Summary

## Mt Messenger Bypass

Waka Kotahi has received a positive second interim decision from the Environment Court about the appeals to the Mt Messenger Bypass project. The Court's second interim decision dismisses the appeal by Poutama Kaitiaki Charitable Trust and the Pascoes, being the last 'live' Environment Court appeal. The Court has directed that Waka Kotahi make a number of minor changes to the conditions. Once those changes are made, the Court will then formally issue approval for the resource consents and confirm the altered designation for the Project.

In this second interim decision, the Environment Court noted that final agreement had been reached between Waka Kotahi and Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Tama, and on that basis the Project could proceed.