

# Warkworth to Wellsford

## DECISION MAKING PROCESS 2020 FACT SHEET

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency has lodged a Notice of Requirement and resource consent applications with Auckland Council.

Auckland Council will receive the application, directly notify people affected and notify the public via public notices in newspapers. Council will invite people, eg landowners, neighbours, organisations and the wider public, to make a submission. If you make a submission you will have at least 20 working days to submit your support, opposition, or conditional support for the project to the Council.

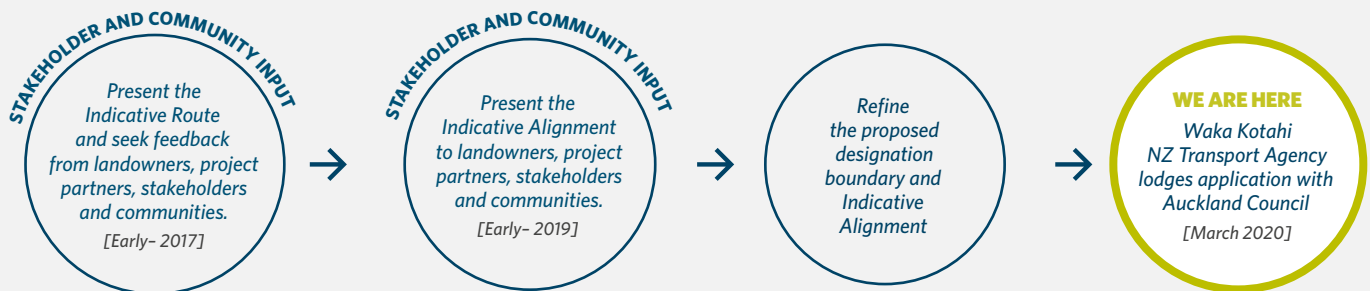
A panel of independent commissioners will be appointed by Council

to consider the application and a hearing will be held. Anyone who has lodged a submission can present their submission at the hearing if they wish to do so.

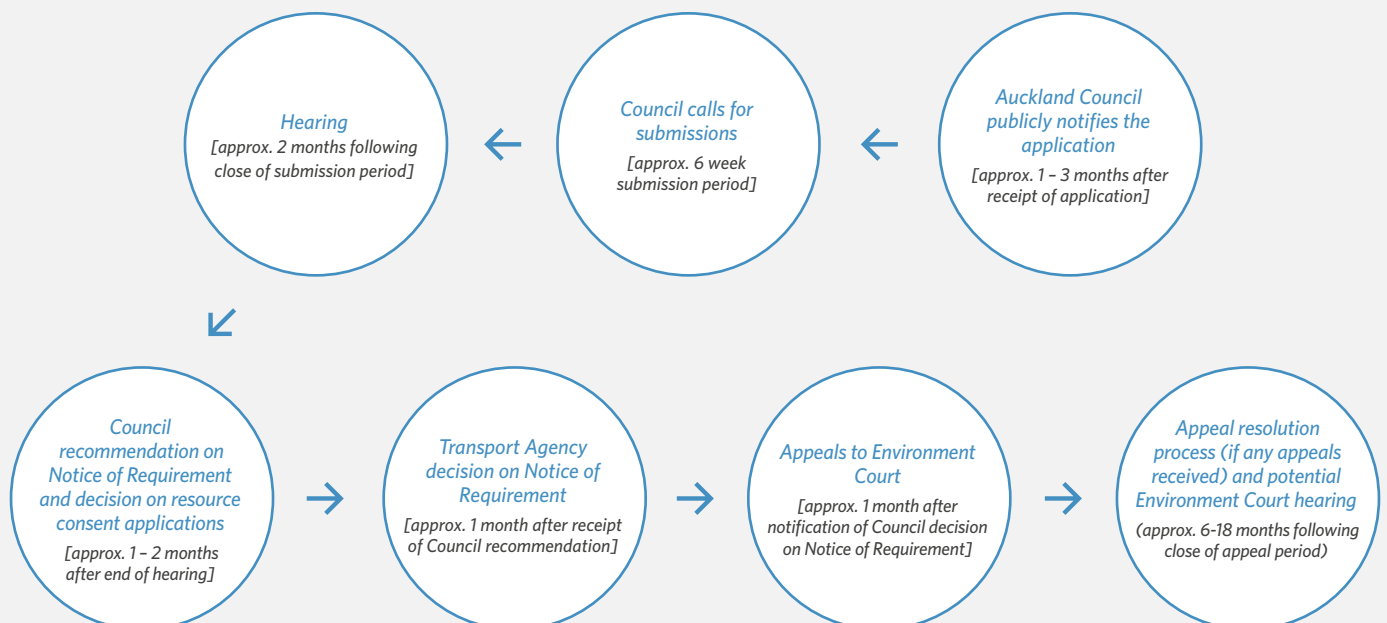
After the hearing, and once the decisions are made, there is also an opportunity for parties to lodge an appeal to the Environment Court. Depending on the date the application is publicly notified by Council, the hearing is expected to take place later in 2020.

### INDICATIVE TIMELINE

#### NZ TRANSPORT AGENCY LED PROCESS



#### STATUTORY PROCESS



## IF YOU WANT TO MAKE A SUBMISSION

Submitters can choose how involved in the process they would like to be, including:

- Making a written submission. The Auckland Council will call for submissions approximately 1-3 months after they receive the Transport Agency's application.
- Speaking at the hearing. Submitters can do this themselves or have someone speak for them. They can also get together with other submitters who have similar views. There may be cross-examination. This process can be in te reo Māori or sign language if required.
- Presenting evidence through an expert witness.

A witness may be an independent expert in a technical area, for example a planner who can interpret a plan. These witnesses will need to read and understand their obligations under the Environment Court Code of Conduct for Expert Witnesses (i.e must present an independent/impartial view on the merits of the project - or part of it).



### CONTACT US

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