

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AUTHORITY (EPA) BOARD OF INQUIRY PROCESS

ONCE THE APPLICATION HAS BEEN LODGED, WHERE CAN I FIND THE DOCUMENTS?

From **December 2016** the following information will be available on our website:
www.nzta.govt.nz/auckland-northern-corridor/EPA-consent-application

1. The full AEE. The AEE provides a full description of the project, the alternatives considered, an analysis of the project's actual and potential environmental effects, recommended mitigation measures, and an analysis against the relevant policy documents
 2. Technical Assessment Reports and supporting information
 3. Urban Design Landscape Framework (UDLF)
 4. Drawing Set.
- There will also be a link to the EPA website – the EPA will lead and manage the public notification and hearing 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 EPA will notify the process for making a submission in early 2017.
- **Speaking at the hearing.** Submitters can do this themselves or have someone speak for them if evidence on oath is given. They can also get together with other submitters who have similar views. There may be cross-examination. This process can be in 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]).

FRIEND OF THE SUBMITTER

The EPA will appoint a "Friend of the Submitter" who is available to give advice on the process and how to submit.



NEXT STEPS (AFTER THE BOI PROCESS)

There will be opportunities for on-going design work and engagement with the community through the next steps of the Northern Corridor Improvements Project, including:

- Detailed Design (2018 Onwards)
- Property Acquisition (2017 Onwards)
- Construction (2018 → 2021/2022)

(Noting dates are approximate at this stage).

