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Far North District Council Delivered by email: Sarah.Trinder@fndc.govt.nz

Attention: Sarah Trinder, Senior Policy Planner

Dear Sarah

## Maori purpose zone and Treaty settlement overlay – Engineering provisions advice

I have been engaged by FNDC (Far North District Council) to support the change in approach to the District Plan by removing direct references to Engineering Standards in plan provisions. I hold an NZDE with a major in Civil Engineering and over 10 years' experience working in the industry.

My experience includes a secondment to Whangārei District Council, where I assisted the Development Engineering Team in managing work overflow within the Infrastructure Development Department. During this time, I processed Resource Consents, conducted Engineering Plan Assessments, and performed Inspections & Assessments for S224(c) and As-built plan assessments.

I have reviewed the proposed amended provisions related to engineering matters for the Māori purpose zone and Treaty settlement overlay provisions, specifically MPZ-S6 and TSL-S6. In earlier drafts of these provisions, I recommended the inclusion of an Engineering/site suitability report as an information requirement to demonstrate compliance with the Wastewater, Water, and Stormwater permitted activity standards.

In my opinion, these provisions support a permissive approach to development while safeguarding environmental and human health risks through effective three waters management associated with land development. I have also reviewed submission points S339.049 and S396.019 and believe that the amended provisions adequately address the engineering-related relief sought by these submitters.

Yours sincerely

Tom Kiddle Senior Civil Engineer

on behalf of Beca Limited

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