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March Update: Fast-track Consent Application Lodged for the Proposed Pahiatua Wind Farm

Kia ora,

Following our last update of December 2024, which we stated that the proposed Pahiatua Wind Farm had been accepted into the Fast-track consent pathway, we would now like to inform you that the substantive consent application has been lodged with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

An expert consenting panel will now be appointed by the EPA to decide on the application. This panel will be an independent decision-making body set up for this Fast-track project, with members appointed by the Chief Environment Court Judge. The panel will consist of a chair and two or three members, including one nominee from each of the relevant local authorities and iwi authorities.

In accordance with the Fast-track process established under the Natural and Built Environment Act (NBEA), the expert consenting panel will invite submissions on our application **from individuals and groups identified in the NBEA**. Panels must invite submissions from those specific people or groups and may invite submissions from other groups or persons to whom the panel considers the activity is relevant.

If you are among those invited to submit, you will receive a letter from the panel, which will include a submission form and further details.

Important Information

- **Where to find the application:** The substantive application, including all the specialist reports, will be available online at the Environmental Protection Authority website: **[Application for Pahiatua Wind Farm](#)**
- **Submissions:** Those invited to make a submission will have 20 working days from the date of the invitation letter to do so. Additional information on who is eligible to submit, and how to make a submission can be found here: **[Submission Information](#)**.
- **Timeline:** Processing timelines for individual projects vary, depending on the specifics of each project. The basic steps and timing of the process are set out on the EPA website here: **[Overview: Fast-track consenting under the Natural and Built Environment Act 2023 | EPA](#)**.

- For further information on the submissions, process, and timeline the EPA can be contacted via info@epa.govt.nz.

If you have any questions about the project, please reach out to us at Pahiatuawind@aurecongroup.com or call us directly on 027 395 9352. You can also find more on our [website](#).

We will continue to keep you updated as we move forward.

Ngā mihi,

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