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Attention: Alicia-Kate Taihia – Submissions & Hearings Administrator

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Dear Alicia-Kate

**ARA POUTAMA AOTEAROA THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS: FAR NORTH
PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN – LETTER TO BE TABLED AT HEARING 11**

Ara Poutama Aotearoa the Department of Corrections (**Ara Poutama**) lodged a submission on the Far North Proposed District Plan (**PDP**), being submitter number S158.

Ara Poutama has opted not to attend Hearing 11, and requests that in lieu of attendance this letter be tabled for the Hearing Panel's consideration.

Under Hearing 11, the submission points made by Ara Poutama are assessed within the Section 42A reports for the Infrastructure and Designations chapters of the PDP. The points of relevance that Ara Poutama wishes to raise to the attention of the Hearing Panel under these two reports are outlined below.

Infrastructure

Ara Poutama made three submission points on the Infrastructure chapter¹, supporting the retention as notified of one objective (I-O2) and two policies (I-P4, I-P7), all of which relate to Regionally Significant Infrastructure.²

Ara Poutama was involved in pre-hearing discussions with Council and other infrastructure providers on the Infrastructure chapter. The recommended changes to I-O2, I-P4 and I-P7 in the Section 42A report are consistent with those that were discussed and tabled following the pre-hearing discussions, and are acceptable to Ara Poutama.

As such, Ara Poutama confirms support for the proposed amendments to Objective I-O2 and Policies I-P4 & I-P7 as set out in the Infrastructure Section 42A report.

¹ Submissions S158.007, S158.008 and S158.009.

² N.B. the Northland Region Corrections Facility is defined under the PDP as "Regionally Significant Infrastructure".

Designations

Ara Poutama made two submissions on the Designation chapter³, supporting the retention as notified of the Minister of Corrections' two designations within the PDP, which include MCOR1 (Community Corrections Facility, Kaikohe) and MCOR2 (Northland Region Corrections Facility).

The Section 42A report recommends accepting the relief sought by Ara Poutama, but also notes some "minor corrections" that were sought in the original rollover Notice of Requirement. These minor corrections have been captured incorrectly and need amending as set out below in order to be legible and consistent with other designations in the PDP (amendments required in red font):

Community Corrections, Kaikohe	
Designation unique identifier	MCOR1
Designation purpose	Community Correction Activity
Site identifier	7 Station Road East, Kaikohe Part Marino 2B2 Blk, Blk XV Omapere SD, 2878 sqm
Lapse date	N/A Given effect to
Designation hierarchy under section 177 of the RMA	Be Primary
Conditions	No
Additional information	Formerly MCO41 Rollover designation with minor corrections to schedule
Community Corrections, Kaikohe	
Designation unique identifier	MCOR2
Designation purpose	Northland Region Corrections Facility
Site identifier	Ohaeawai Road, SH12, Ngawha Lot 1 DP 365989 (formerly Lot 2 DP 89625) 189.6ha
Lapse date	N/A Given effect to
Designation hierarchy under section 177 of the RMA	Be Primary
Conditions	Yes
Additional information	Formerly MCO230 Rollover designation with minor corrections to schedule

³ Submissions S158.007, S158.017 and S158.018.

Ara Poutama appreciates the opportunity to be involved in the PDP process. Should there be any queries raised in relation to the matters set out in this letter, please contact Sean Grace via the details provided below.

Yours sincerely

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