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Dear Mark

Private Plan Change Request - CCKV Maitati Dev Co LP and Bayview Nelson Limited – Properties NL11A/1012 and CT 164567

Thank you for discussing the outline of this proposal with me on 16 June 2020, and for your recent emails on this subject.

At our meeting on 16 June I confirmed that the area involved in this proposal does not contain any public conservation land administered by the Department of Conservation (DOC). I also outlined that the following matters were of particular interest to DOC and/or would need to be considered:

- Are there any SNAs in/adjacent to the development area and, if so, how will these be protected?
- Potential effects on watercourses in and downstream of the development area, and how these watercourses will be protected and enhanced.
- Whether cultural values are present and, if so, how will these be protected?
- Provision of biodiversity corridors and contribution to Nelson Nature 'Halo' project.

During our discussion I:

- Supported the creation of a generous open space/ecological enhancement area adjoining the Maitai River and linking through to and over the Kaka Stream corridor, as shown on the draft Structure Plan presented at the time;
- Encouraged the applicant to extend the Kaka open space corridor to link with the SNA on the upper eastern boundary thereby forming a biodiversity corridor;
- Acknowledged information which indicates Kaka Stream has limited ecological values, possibly due to the lower reaches running dry over summer and so not having permanent water / connection. However, the stream should still be surveyed by an appropriately qualified ecologist to identify the values that are present and what actions could/should be taken to maintain and enhance freshwater values;
- Encouraged the applicant to consider how the area can contribute to the Nelson Nature 'Halo' project, e.g. through pest control and replanting, and to include 'wildlife-friendly' design features as integral parts of any development;

- Noted that a lizard survey should be undertaken in the summer months at some stage in the future. Whilst this need not be done immediately, the design phase should consider the extent and distribution of potential lizard habitat, the extent to which this might be impacted, and where habitat may be provided and/or enhanced if lizards need to be translocated during any future development of the land; and
- Noted the need to consider the cultural values that are/may be associated with the area. I understand that Ngati Koata is involved in the proposal through Koata Ltd, but several iwi have statutory acknowledgements and associations with the Mahitahi/Maitai River and its tributaries.

We did not discuss the details of the private plan change request (the changes to the Nelson Resource Management Plan that will be sought) and I look forward to receiving further information on the proposal in due course.

Kind regards

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