

**Before the Hearing commissioners appointed by the Hawke's Bay Regional
Council.**

In the Matter of the Resource Management Act 1991 (The Act)

And

In the matter of Applications by the Regional Assets Section , Hawke's Bay
Regional Council to remove gravel and undertake other earthworks at various
locations along the Ngaruroro River , Tukituki Catchment Rivers and the
Tutaekuri River to the coast .

Hearing Panel Direction Number 2

Directions

1. Prior to the hearing being adjourned on the 10th of December 2021 , we directed the parties to confer and agree to a timetable for the applicant to revise draft conditions of consent and for the parties planning witnesses to then attend expert conferencing with the objective of reaching consensus on an agreed set of conditions .
2. On the 17th of December 2021 we received a memorandum from Counsel for the applicant setting out an agreed timetable . Accordingly we make the following directions to be observed by the parties :
 - I. **By 4th February 2022**, the applicant is to circulate a new set of conditions taking into account the matters the Panel raised during the hearing , including proposed management plans with defined objectives or requirements to be included in the revised conditions . The conditions are also to set out the objectives of any Kaitiaki Group(s)proposed by the applicant .
 - II. Planners caucusing will be held on **the 2nd March 2022**. Representatives of the submitters will be invited to attend .
 - III. **By the 18th March 2022** the applicant will circulate draft management plans to the submitters and consent authority .
 - IV. **On the 25th March 2022** , a final caucusing session will be held if required and a joint witness statement prepared and signed by Mr Bendall , Ms Wilson and Mr Exeter listing the matters on which the planners agree , the matters on which there is disagreement , and the reasons for that is to be provided by this date. .If caucusing is not required , a joint witness statement is to be provided by this date.
 - V. **By 30th March 2022** the applicant is to provide its written reply.

Leave is reserved to any party to seek further directions from us or clarification of the above



Paul Cooney

Chair

Dated the 18th of December 2021