

27 May 2026

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Official information Request: Paper Road

I am writing to you in response to your request received 26 May for updates relating to the Paper Road at Cape Palliser, specifically the current position is in regard the opening of access.

We have assessed your request under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). I have received information to provide the following response:

*In October 2025 the Council passed the Cape Palliser Paper Road Access Bylaw 2025 (**Bylaw**), the bylaw restricts motor vehicle access on the Cape Palliser unformed legal road (**ULR**), while pedestrian, cycling, and horse access remains. The Bylaw came into force on 1 December 2025, expires on 30 November 2027, and can be revoked earlier by Council decision (a copy of this Bylaw is **available on our website** for your information: [Cape-Palliser-Paper-Road-Access-Bylaw-2025.pdf](#)).*

The Access Group has been meeting monthly since March 2026. Through these meetings, members have expressed interest in undertaking a site visit with the hapū, which we are currently arranging for June.

Following this visit, the group intends to move on to issues relating to the ULR. If you would like to be part of this group, you are very welcome to join us.

At the initial meeting, we shared the enclosed survey images. These images show some of the challenges it presents, including the stream crossing just past the gate and the route passing through the two boulder fields.

The site visit will provide a better understanding of the area, and we will be able to provide you with a further update after this has taken place.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. If this request is selected it will be published at <https://swdc.govt.nz/lgoima-proactive-release/>, with your personal information removed.

You have a right to request a review by the Ombudsman on this response. Further information about this process can be found on <https://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz/what-ombudsman-can->

help/complaints-about-government-agencies/how-make-complaint or email
info@ombudsman.parliament.nz

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stefan', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Stefan Corbett
Group Manager, Corporate Services



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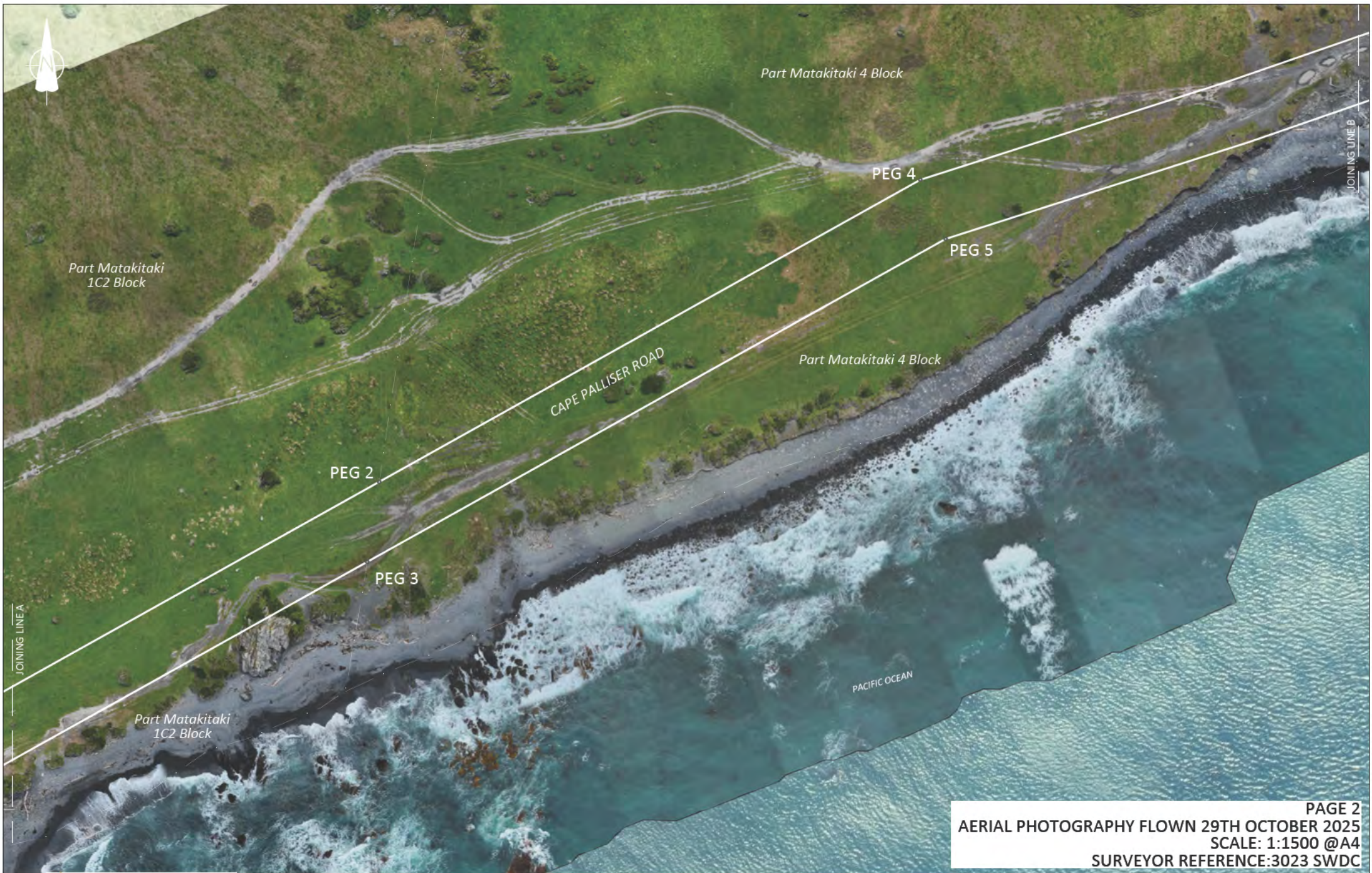
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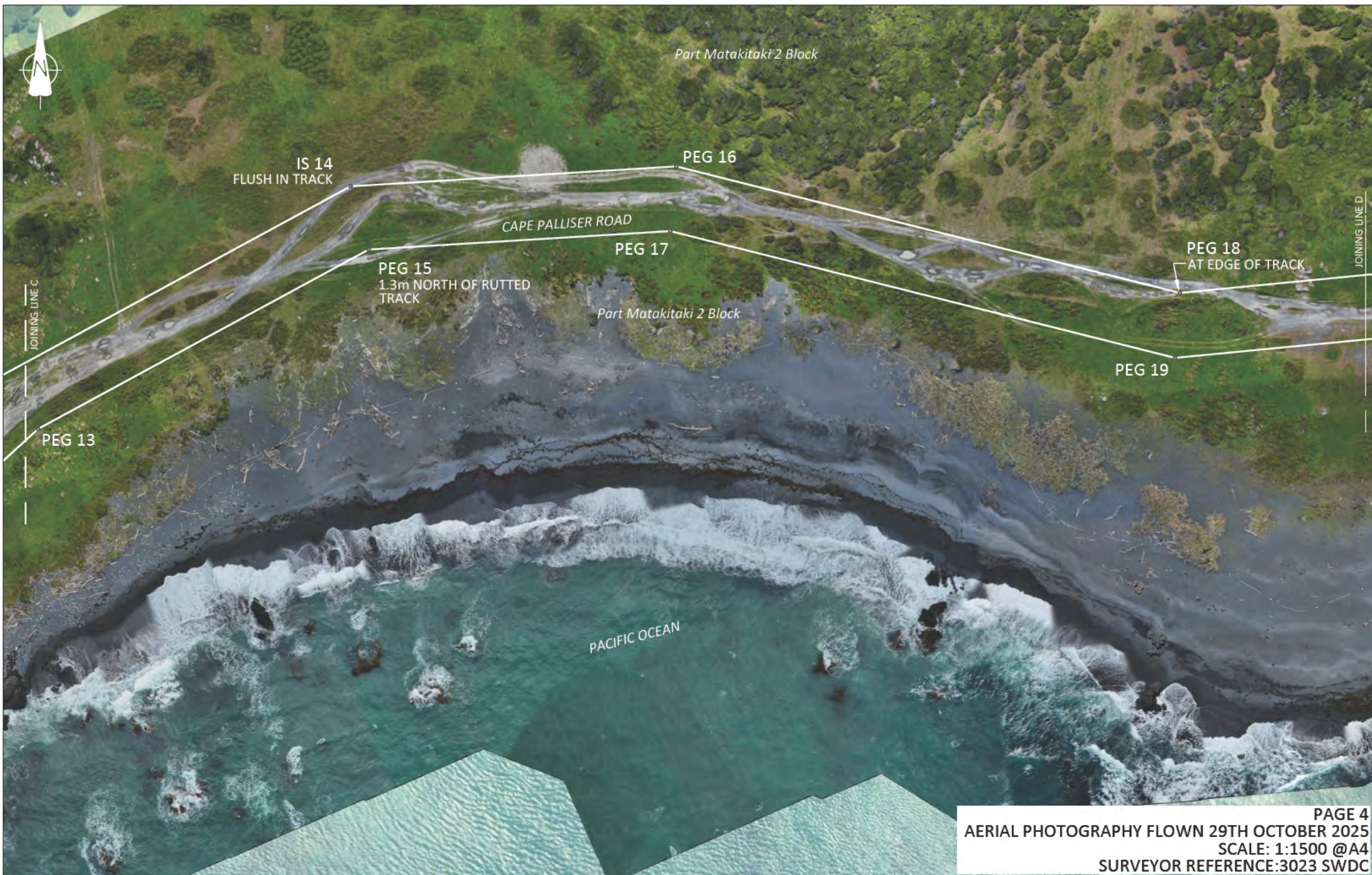
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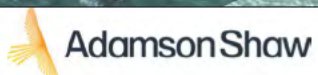
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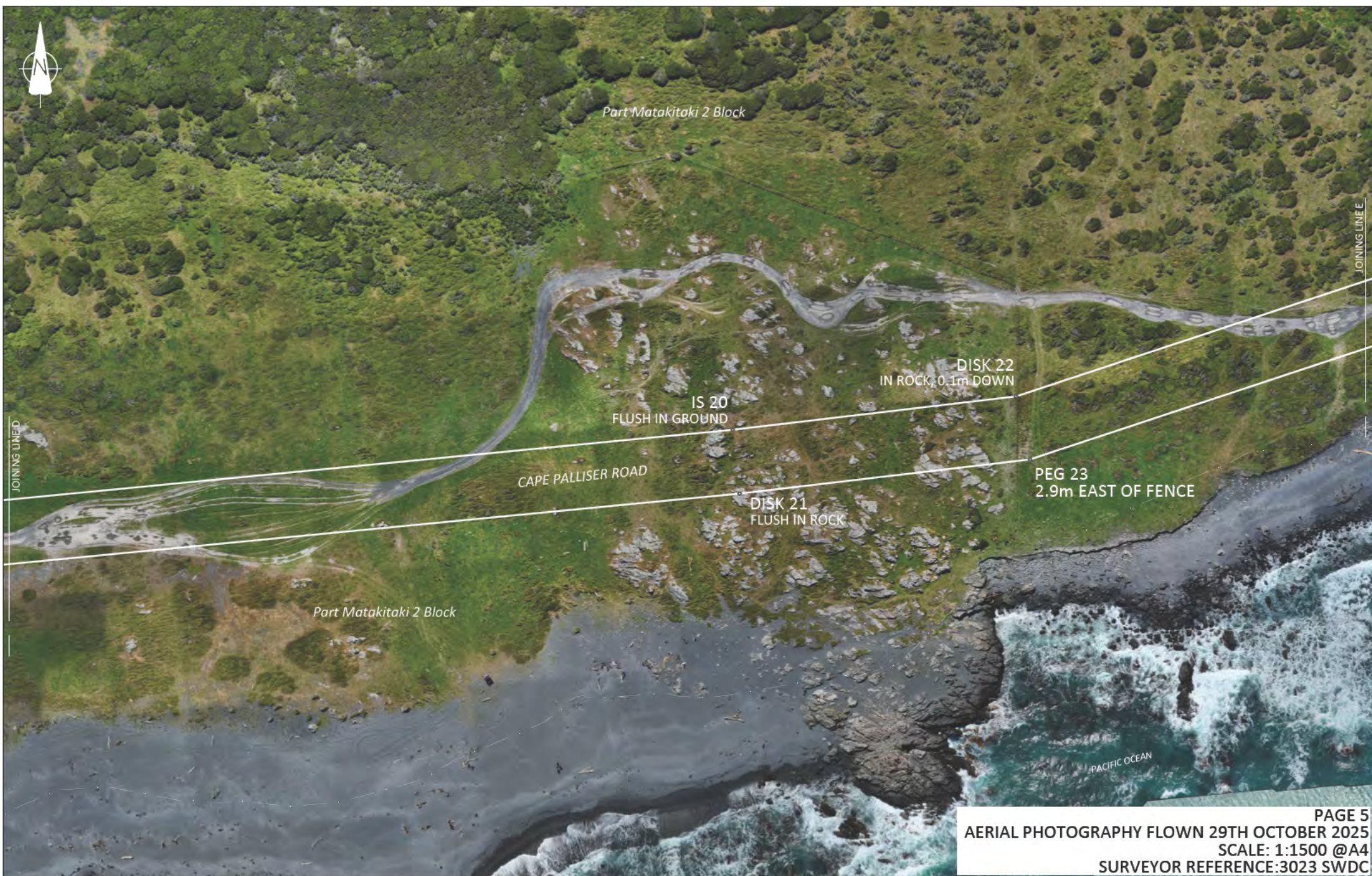
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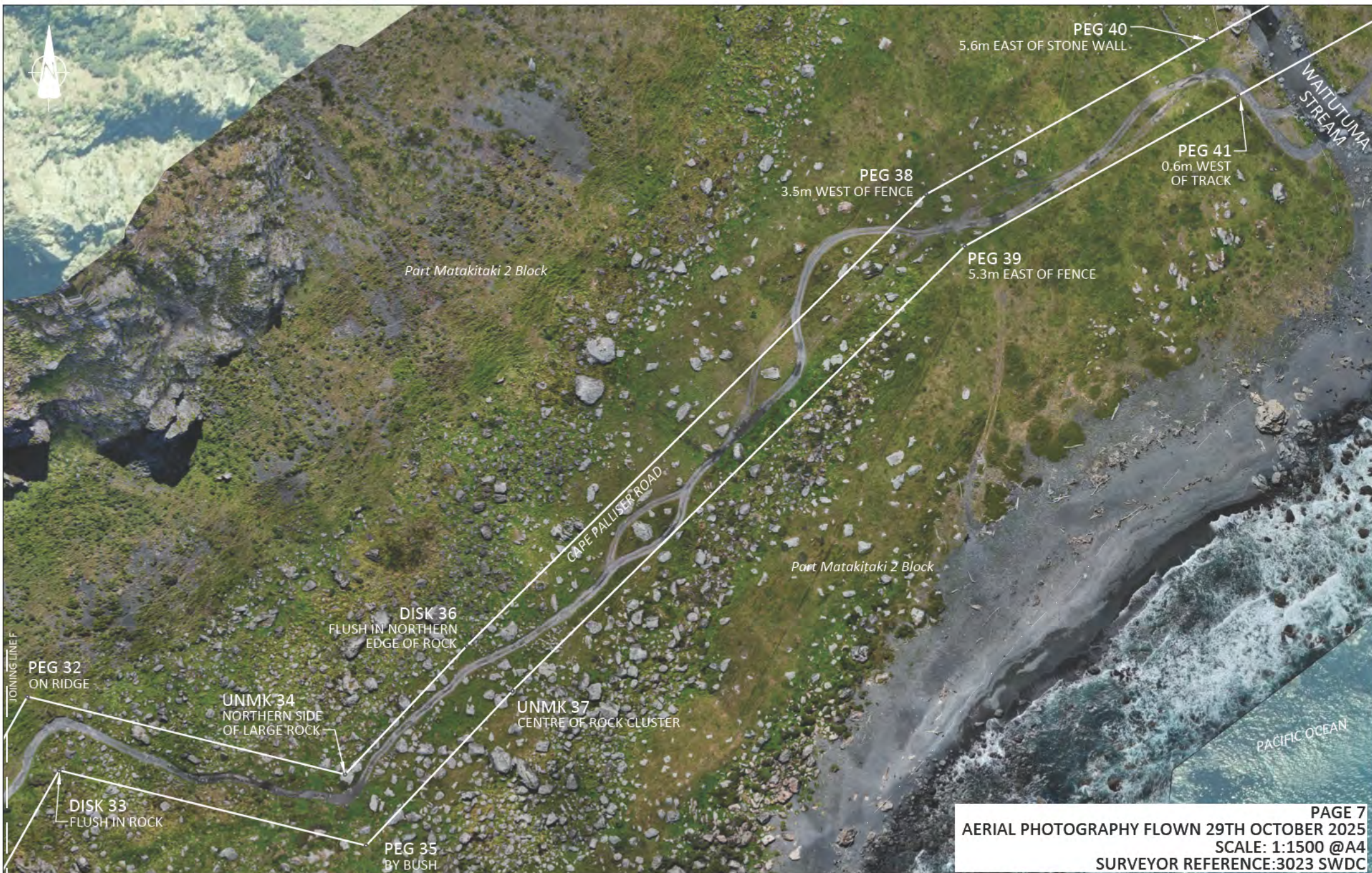
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