

## Nick Pollard

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**Sent:** Monday, 21 August 2023 9:28 am  
**To:** Nick Pollard  
**Cc:** Kendyll Harper- Intermediate planner; Emma McRae; Richard Homewood  
**Subject:** Re: APPLICATION FOR RESOURCE CONSENT – SOLAR FARM IN RURAL ZONE, MOROA ROAD, GREYTOWN, PLANNING (APPLICATION NO 220103) - Further information request – following the close of submissions [Filed 19 Sep 2023 09:51]

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Kia ora Nick,

Thanks for your email.

Please see my response in red text below.

I will be in touch with updated landscape plans.

Kind regards  
Laila

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On Fri, 18 Aug 2023 at 17:31, Nick Pollard <[Nick.Pollard@boffamiskell.co.nz](mailto:Nick.Pollard@boffamiskell.co.nz)> wrote:

Dear Laila

We have now had an opportunity to review the information but are awaiting some feedback from Council's acoustic specialists. In the meantime we wanted to clarify the following:

### 1. Effects on Electricity Transmission Lines (Transpower assets) Assessment of Effects on the Environment

The effect of the conditions offered in respect of Transpowers assets will mean that some planting cannot be implemented in accordance with the proposed landscape plans. For clarity these plans should be updated.

In addition some planting will be altered in key viewing locations, in particular, the view west travelling along Bidwills Cuttings Road. Please provide comment in regards to the potential landscape and visual effects and confirm whether the assessment of effects for users of Bidwills Cuttings Road will see any change from the original assessment of a 'low' level of effect.

I have asked our landscape architect to provide updated landscape plans and provide comments on the overall level of effect on landscape values. I will be in touch with you once I hear back.

## 6. Noise Effects During Construction and Operational Phase

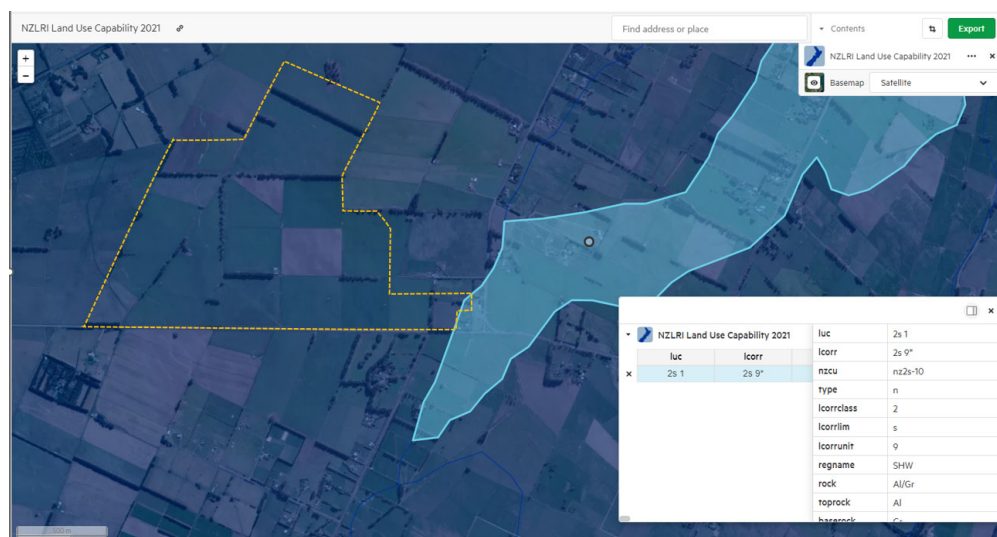
As noted above we are yet to receive comments from the acoustic specialist however for clarity please confirm whether all recommended conditions in section 9 of the acoustic assessment are offered as conditions of consent by the applicant.

Yes, confirming all recommended conditions for consent proffered in the acoustic assessment are accepted by the Applicant.

## 8. Highly Productive Land

Regarding the Soil assessment this states that: 'The land on which the proposed solar farm is to be located is classified as Land Use Capability (LUC) unit 4s 1 by the New Zealand Land Resource Inventory (NZLRI) and is therefore outside of the Highly Productive land (HPL) category.'

Has this been confirmed by on site soil testing? As our understanding based on our review of the NZLRI maps and also the LUC Soil Map appended to the application is that these appear to show a small area of the site to be LUC 2. We have approximately sketched part of the site area over the NZLRI to assist (see below):



We acknowledged that this is very much an estimation but seek confirmation. Please confirm.

No soil testing was undertaken for the soil assessment. We acknowledge that a small portion of the site is identified as being LUC 2. However, for the reasons contained in the soil assessment, there are no anticipated effects on productive soils.

Regards

Nick

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**From:** Laila Alkamil <[laila.alkamil@wwla.kiwi](mailto:laila.alkamil@wwla.kiwi)>

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Good afternoon Nick,

Thank you for your patience while we prepared a response to your further information request. Please see our response and the supporting technical documents in the dropbox link below.

[https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/8mre1ft6fr9gbrnq4cys6/Let\\_Information-Request-Response\\_Greytown-Solar-Farm\\_11-August-2023.pdf?rlkey=gds1ifzu1rrfaagmpfcc0pkv&dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/8mre1ft6fr9gbrnq4cys6/Let_Information-Request-Response_Greytown-Solar-Farm_11-August-2023.pdf?rlkey=gds1ifzu1rrfaagmpfcc0pkv&dl=0)

I trust this will address your queries but please do not hesitate to reach out if you require any further clarification.

Kind regards

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On Tue, 27 Jun 2023 at 17:23, Nick Pollard <[Nick.Pollard@boffamiskell.co.nz](mailto:Nick.Pollard@boffamiskell.co.nz)> wrote:

Dear Laila

Following notification of this application there has been a need to reassign the processing consultant for this application. I have been requested to assist South Wairarapa District Council with processing from here on.

I have reviewed the submissions and have identified some issues that would assist in preparing prehearing reports. Please find attached a request for further information following the close of submissions on this application.

Given the material nature of these requests and the clarity necessary to prepare a report for a decision maker we request, as outlined in the letter, that the applicant consider placing the application on hold under section 91A RMA until these matters have been addressed.

Please let me know should you wish to discuss any matter above or in the attached.

Regards

Nick

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