

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT OF NEW ZEALAND  
AUCKLAND REGISTRY**

**I TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA  
TĀMAKI MAKAURAU ROHE**

**ENV-2024-AKL-000148**

**IN THE MATTER** the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA)

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER** of an appeal under section 174 of the RMA

**BETWEEN** **STEVE AND SOFIA NUICH TRUSTEE LIMITED**

**Appellant**

**AND** **NEW ZEALAND TRANSPORT AGENCY WAKA  
KOTAHI (NZTA)**

**Respondent**

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**NOTICE OF FUTURE KUMEU INCORPORATED WISH TO BE PARTY  
TO PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 274 OF THE RMA  
1 August 2024**

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## NOTICE OF PERSON'S WISH TO BE PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS

*Section 274, Resource Management Act 1991*

**To** The Registrar  
Environment Court  
Auckland

1. **Future-Kumeu Incorporated** gives notice under section 274 of the Resource Management Act 1991 ("RMA") that it wishes to be a party to the appeal ("Appeal") by **Steve and Sofia Nuich Trustee Limited ("Appellant")** against the decision of the respondent on the proposed decision on the notices of requirement for:

- a. Rapid Transit Corridor ("S3")
- b. Huapai Station ("HS")

**(Designations)**

2. Future-Kumeu Incorporated made a submission about the subject matter in the designation hearing.

### **Trade competition**

3. Future-Kumeu Incorporated is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **The Proceedings**

4. Future-Kumeu Incorporated is interested in all of the proceedings.

### **Particular Issues**

5. Future-Kumeu Incorporated is interested in the following particular issues:

- a. Inadequate regard to alternative routes and locations;
- b. Inconsistency with relevant planning instruments;
- c. Poor environmental, planning and amenity outcomes will result from roading infrastructure shown in the locations consistent with S3 and HS;
- d. Land areas associated with the designations are unnecessarily large; and
- e. Unreasonable uncertainty of lapse period.

**Relief sought:**

6. Future-Kumeu Incorporated supports the relief sought by the Appellants for the following reasons:
  - a. The NoR incorporating the S3 and HS is inconsistent with the objectives and policies of the relevant planning documents, including the Unitary Plan and the Regional Policy Statement (RPS);
  - b. The designations fail to facilitate the sustainable management of natural and physical resources and does not adequately address the reasonably foreseeable needs of future generations. Moreover, the designations contravene the provisions of Part 2 of the RMA in relation to lapse periods;
  - c. The NoRs do not adequately address the reasonably foreseeable needs of future generations;
  - d. The NoRs do not support the social, economic, and cultural well-being of the Auckland community.
  - e. The designations collectively will result in significant adverse environmental effects and as integrated transport routes do not represent the best routes;
  - f. There has been insufficient planning to assess alternatives for S3 that will reduce adverse effects on the environment and provide better outcomes for the community; and
  - g. The twenty-year lapse period for the Designations is unreasonable and imposes undue burdens on landowners, resulting in planning blight and unreasonable uncertainty for use and development.

**Dispute resolution**

7. Future-Kumeu Incorporated agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

  
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Joan Forret

Solicitor for Future-Kumeu Incorporated

Date: 01/08/2024

within 15 working days after–

- the period for lodging a notice of appeal ends, if the proceedings are an appeal; or
- the decision to hold an inquiry, if the proceedings are an inquiry; or
- the proceedings are commenced, in any other case.

Your right to be a party to the proceedings in the Court may be limited by the trade competition provisions in section 274(1) and Part 11A of the Resource Management Act 1991. The notice must be signed by you or on your behalf.

You must serve a copy of this notice on the relevant local authority and the person who commenced the proceedings within the same 15 working day period and serve copies of this notice on all other parties within 5 working days after that period ends.

However, you may apply to the Environment Court under section 281 of the Resource Management Act 1991 for a waiver of the above timing or service requirements (see form 38).

*Advice*

If you have any questions about this notice, contact the Environment Court in

