

IN THE MATTER

of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

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of Variation 3 – Taiwawe Catchment Structure
Plan, to the Proposed Thames Coromandel
District Plan by Hot Water Beach NZ Ltd.

FIFTH DIRECTION OF THE HEARING COMMISSIONERS

1. We wish to ensure that the parties to this matter are clear on the process that is being followed. We provide this further Direction to be of assistance accordingly.
2. The facilitation meeting, convened by an independent facilitator has now been held and the facilitator's report dated 8 June 2021 regarding that meeting has been provided to the parties. We are now, in accordance with the earlier Directions, proceeding to the reconvened hearing regarding the Variation. That is scheduled for 9 September 2021 at Whitianga.
3. We now direct that:
 - The proponent for the Variation provides the Council's Hearings Advisor with a copy of the details of the modified proposal which is the basis for the Variation **by or on Wednesday 25 August 2021** for circulation of those details to the Hearing Commissioners, the submitters, the further submitters, the Council's section 42A RMA report author and to Mr Bruce Baker, the Senior Policy Advisor at Council.
 - The proponent for the Variation provides the Council's Hearings Advisor with copies of the expert evidence to be presented at the reconvened hearing **by or on Wednesday 25 August 2021** so that the Council can then circulate that expert evidence to the Commissioners, the submitters, the further submitters, the Council's section 42A RMA report author and to Mr Baker.
 - Any submitter or further submitter who intends to call expert evidence at the reconvened hearing (generally being evidence given by a professional with specialist qualifications and experience) is to provide that expert evidence to the Council's Hearings Advisor **by or on Wednesday 1 September 2021** for circulation by the Council to the Commissioners, other submitters, other further submitters, the Council's section 42A RMA report author and to Mr Baker.
 - Expert evidence should be sent to the Council's Hearings Advisor, Ms Charmian Nell, by email to charmian.nell@tcdc.govt.nz
4. We are not calling for a further section 42A RMA report from the Council's planner but

note that planner will have the opportunity to address the reconvened hearing on the modified proposal, following the presentations from the proponent and from the submitters. That may be in writing. Any such presentation will be before the proponent has the right of reply and the hearing is closed.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alan Watson', written in a cursive style.

Alan Watson
for the Hearing Commissioners,
Paul Cooney and Alan Watson

5 August 2021