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Tēnā koe James

Approval of your request for an extension of time under clause 10A, Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991

On 26 April 2022, Hawke's Bay Regional Council lodged an application for a four-month extension of time (until 31 August 2022) to issue a decision on proposed Plan Change 9: Integrated management of Tūtaekurī, Ahuriri, Ngaruroro and Karamū [TANK] Catchments (PC9), to the Regional Resource Management Plan for Hawke's Bay.

I agree to this extension under clause 10A(4)(a) of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA). Decisions on PC9 to the Hawke's Bay regional Plan must be made on or before 31 August 2022. The reasons for my decision are:

- a. Hawke's Bay Regional Council has met the statutory requirements for making an application under clause 10A of Schedule 1 of the RMA.
- b. Hawke's Bay Regional Council has advised that an extension until 31 August 2022 is needed for the hearings panel to draft and issue a decision on PC9, due to disruptions from COVID-19.
- c. granting this extension will provide procedural certainty for the remainder of the plan change process and provides a clear statutory basis for Hawke's Bay Regional Council to give a decision on PC9 of the Hawke's Bay Regional Plan after 02 June 2022 and by 31 August 2022.

In accordance with clause 10A(6) of Schedule 1 of the RMA, you are now required to publicly notify this extension.

I wish you well with the remainder of your plan-making process.

Nāku iti noa, nā,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Parker'.

Hon David Parker
Minister for the Environment