

8 July 2025

Proposed Timaru District Plan Hearing Panel

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Dear Commissioners,

### **Proposed Timaru District Plan – Designations Hearing Stream G**

KiwiRail Holdings Limited (KiwiRail) is the State-Owned Enterprise responsible for the management and operation of the national railway network. This includes managing railway infrastructure and land, as well as rail freight and passenger services within New Zealand. KiwiRail Holdings Limited is also the Requiring Authority for land designated "Railway Purposes" in District Plans throughout New Zealand. Within the proposed plan the designation is shown as KRH-1 relating to the Main South Line.

The 'Section 42A Report – Designations' makes recommendations on KiwiRail submission points (187.186 and 187190 to 108) to accept in part of the requested changes of its designations throughout the district for corrections so that shape of the designation matches (with a couple of exceptions) the land holdings of KiwiRail. As noted in the officers report the exceptions will be addressed in the future via a s181 process.

KiwiRail appreciated the communications with Council to clarify a small number of sites and being able to provide an updated shape file to correctly address points agreed to in those communications. It is also noted for completeness that KiwiRail is in the process of preparing an agreement outside of the designation process to agree maintenance and access for level crossings. This is due to some level crossings being road over rail and some are rail over road, and the purpose of the agreement is to clarify roles and responsibilities.

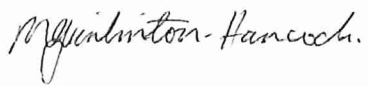
Ms Williams s42A summary statement of 4 July (paragraph 7) notes that KiwiRail provided an updated shape file and that she has no concerns with the updated mapping changes. Ms Williams recommends that the Hearing Panel recommend that KRH-1 be confirmed subject to mapping modifications set out in Appendix B.

The Designations Summary Report (Appendix 3, Section 6) notes that KiwiRail sought to roll over the designation with modification to name, merge all sections of designation into one, added the site name, address and removed the legal description. The changes to the designation boundary primarily related to amending boundaries to include level crossings and create alignment between the designation and cadastral boundaries. The Officers' Report does not recommend any changes to the Designations or Requirements, which is supported by KiwiRail.



I confirm that KiwiRail will not be filing evidence on the Designations Hearing and I do not wish to be heard at the Hearing. I am available to answer any questions from the Hearing Panel either in writing or via videoconference if required.

Regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M. McIntosh-Hancock".

**Manager RMA Team  
KiwiRail**