

Proactive release of Cabinet paper material

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Title: Proposed amendments to Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993: Final Policy Decisions

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- Appendix 1: *Enabling the management of land assets, based on the Māori Purposes (Wi Pere) Trust Act 1991 through Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993*
- Appendix 2: *Overview of status of proposals and costing estimates*
- Appendix 3: *Regulatory Impact Statement*

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Title: Proposed amendments to Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993: Final Policy Decisions – ECO Minute (**ECO-26-MIN-0158**)

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Title: Proposed amendments to Te Ture Whenua Maori Act 1993: Final Policy Decisions - Cabinet Minute (**CAB-26-MIN-0277**)

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Following public consultation on proposed changes to the TTWM Act in 2025, this paper sought Cabinet agreement on 12 targeted amendments to address barriers to the development and utilisation of Māori land and support economic growth.

The amendments aim to streamline processes, increase landowner autonomy, strengthen governance and management options for Māori land assets, support housing and land development opportunities, and improve emergency response and recovery arrangements for ungoverned Māori land.

These documents have been proactively released. Some parts of these documents would not be appropriate to release at this time and if requested, would be withheld under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

Key to redactions

1. Cabinet paper

- Para 29 partially redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)
- Para 58 partially redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)
- Para 66 redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)
- Para 92 redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)
- Para 93 partially redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)
- Recommendations
Rec 6 redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)
Rec 21 redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)

2. Appendix 2

- Page 21 partially redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)

3. Appendix 3

- Page 5 partially redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)
- Page 8 partially redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(a)
- Page 41 partially redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)

4. Minute of Decision (ECO)

- Para 6 redacted in accordance with section 9(2)(f)(iv)

5. Minute of Decision (CAB)

- Redacted information is out of scope

Section 9(2)(f)(iv) - relates to the constitutional conventions which protect the confidentiality of advice tendered by Ministers or officials.

Section 9(2)(a) - to protect the privacy of natural persons, including deceased people.

Appendix 1 has been released in full.