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Tēnā koe Tom,

Same to you Tom I hope your week has gone well mine has been great thank you. I realise you were putting the application in today.

At this stage we have had no formal feedback from any of our marae back to the Taiao group unfortunately I had to explain my video in email as I couldn't upload to our drop box. I am working on that because it's actually quite a good way of doing the site visits and at least people can look at my phone when we physically get together on Tuesday next week. There has been some korero and positivity around the project in regards to the life of the project being in line with the life of the panels and its minimal effects on the whenua over time. The restoration of the Kahahakuri stream is also admirable and the fact that local contractors and recruitment will be prioritised for Mana whenua, how would we ensure this happens over time would be something we would need to secure I believe?. Locally our power consumption costs will decrease and we have an environmental first here in Tamatea that will benefit our tourism trade. As the Taiao group is a vehicle only for local consultation between mana whenua and other groups we have been mandated by our local Taiwhenua. I would hope that each marae/hāpu will have knowledge of a high level of information about all projects that come to Tamatea through this administration but the structure still needs time to set up properly, settle and mature.

As discussed on Thursday in regards to the name it was mentioned to ask Mana whenua about the use of the stream name Kahahakuri for the name of the farm. This will be something that will take time to gage from our whanau as most of the time our awa and wai tāpu have Purakau and hāpu specific importance.

The settlement trust is representative of some of our local Tamatea marae and I see we have asked similar questions, apologies that we have not connected and you have had to respond twice.

I have included everyone from the Taiao group, and Victoria from the settlement trust for transparency and to provide the opportunity to respond on anything I have raised in this email.

Ngā mihi nui

Pam



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Kia ora Pam,

Hope you have had a good week.

Just checking in to see whether you have received any further responses from the Taiao group regarding the solar farm project?

Ngā mihi nui,  
Tom



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Kia ora Pam,

Thanks for your time this morning coming to visit the site, was great to provide an opportunity to explain this very exciting project for Central Hawke's Bay.

As discussed, we are comfortable that we have a good handle on managing any cultural related effects. The project will result in the removal of a dairy herd from the Kahahakuri catchment, along with the associated removal of intensive irrigation and fertilizer use. Coupled with the extensive revegetation programme along the banks of the Kahahakuri Stream, we believe that the project will provide a substantial lift in the mauri of the stream in terms of aquatic biodiversity.

We are confident that we are not interfering with any wahi tapu, however as discuss on site, we will also include an Accidental Discovery Protocol condition to provide assurance that we can manage any unexpected discoveries of archaeological material such as when creating trenches for power cables.

I have attached the document that Peter shared with you which provides a thorough description of proposal and includes the most up to date plans. Still waiting on visualizations to come through but can share these with you once available.

It would be great if you could circulate this information to your contacts in your Taiao group as we would appreciate any feedback prior to lodging the application late next week.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Tom