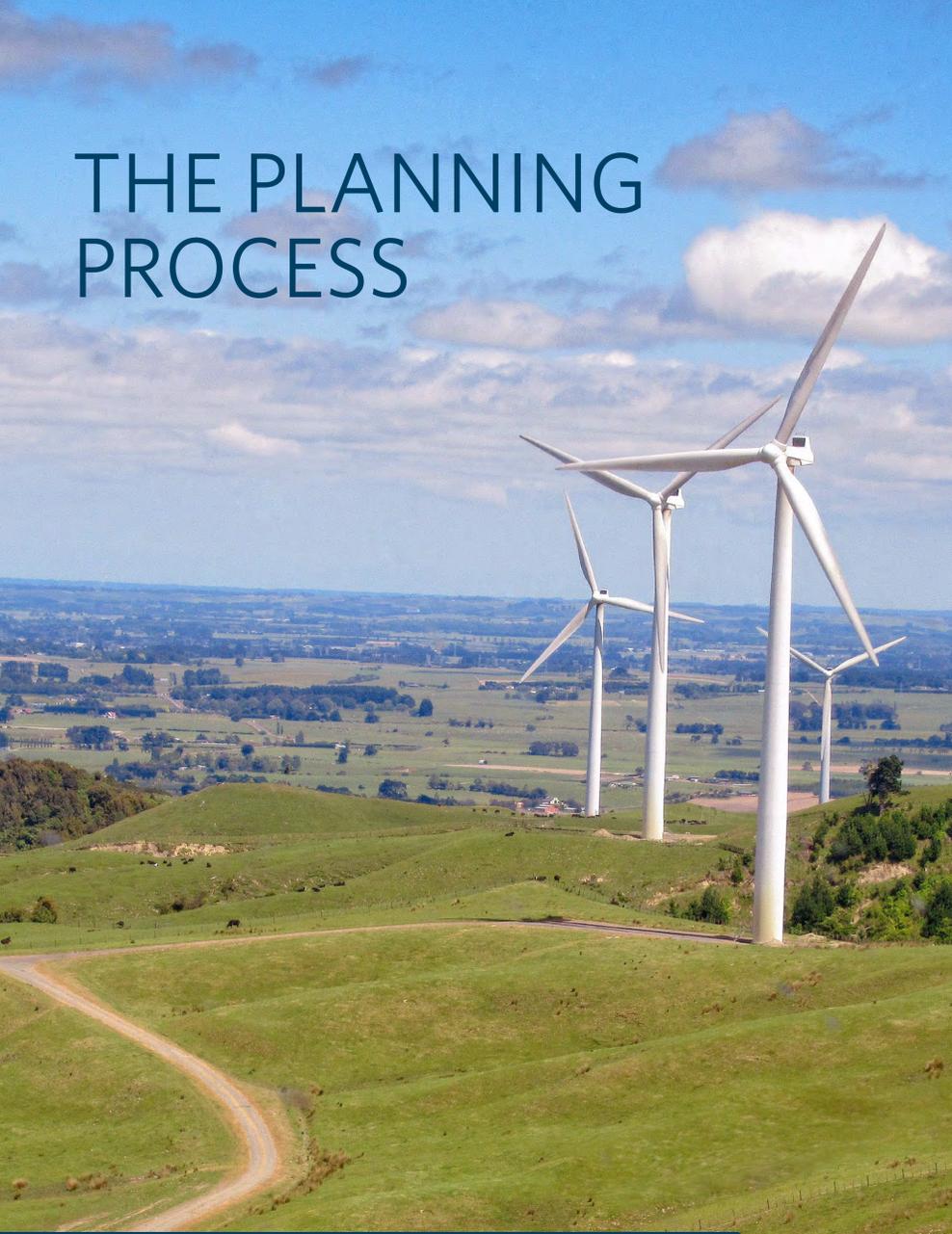


THE PLANNING PROCESS



To establish the area where we'll build Te Ahu a Turanga: Manawatū Tararua Highway we need to establish a designation through a Notice of Requirement (NoR). This is a critical step to obtain the statutory Resource Management Act (RMA) approvals we need to authorise the proposed road. We are now up to the appeals stage of this process, and we will share the outcome of this once it is finished.



LODGEMENT

We lodged the NoR with Palmerston North City, Tararua District and Manawatū District Councils late 2018 - public feedback was sought at this stage.



HEARINGS

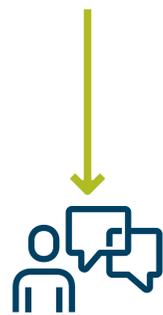
The NoR hearings ran for almost three weeks in Palmerston North. The hearings were in front of a Panel of Commissioners, and anybody who wanted to feedback on the project was able to have their say. Witnesses also included a variety of technical and subject matter experts.



CONDITIONS

A Panel of Commissioners considered the Notice of Requirement and recommended the project should proceed - subject to conditions. The recommendations were issued on behalf of the three councils in May 2019.

We considered the panel's recommendations and generally accepted the proposed conditions. The full documents are available at www.pncc.govt.nz.



APPEALS

Since the conditions were released we have received appeals to the designation. We are currently working through these appeals, meeting with appellants to understand their appeal and work towards a resolution.



THE CONDITIONS

Some of the conditions cover how we work in the community, protect the environment and what we can do during construction. We will put together several management plans as part of the project, covering:

tangata whenua values Parahaki Island

ecology landscape planting bats

lizards birds traffic invertebrates

communications construction methods

construction noise and vibration

network integration western car park

fertiliser trial Te Āpiti wind farm



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