

25th October 2022

Gisborne District Council PO Box 747 GISBORNE 4040

Tena koe,

Submission in support of Eastland Port Limited's applications for CP-2022-111365-00 / CD-2022-111366-00 / CC-2022-111367-00 / CR-2022-111368-00 / CO-2022-111369-00 / NC-2022-111370-00 / LU-2022-111371-00 for Coastal Permit, Coastal Permit - Discharge to water, Coastal Permit - Construction , Coastal Permit - Dredging, Coastal Permit - Occupy Space, NES Contamination in Soil, Land Use

Ngati Porou Forests Ltd support the applications from Eastland Port Limited, for the upgrade and extension of Gisborne Port. Our support is contingent on a long-term partnership with tangata whenua and their explicit support to the application, with agreed consent conditions in place.

## **Port Development**

The project is important to Ngati Porou Forests Ltd, as we manage several thousand hectares of forest, from which the wood produce will be exported through the port and provides returns to the 45 land blocks whose forests we manage.

If the forest owners are forced to use off site log storage facilities, this adds significant cost to the harvesting operations and ultimately, this means less money going back to our forest owners. That is less money going back into landowners' pockets. These people ultimately keep our Tairawhiti primary industry-based communities functioning.

We do not wish to speak at the hearing.

Ngati Porou Forests Ltd



Naku noa,

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General Manager

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