

Waikato District Council  
15 Galileo Street  
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Attention: Proposed District Plan Hearings Panel

Dear Hearings Panel

**Natural Hazards and Climate Change: Subsidence and Liquefaction**

Although I will not be appearing at the hearing on Natural Hazards, I wish to endorse the s42A report recommendations of Mr Grant Eccles regarding the mapping of the Mine Subsidence Risk Area in Huntly. Mr Eccles recommends retaining the overlay as it was contained in the Operative District Plan and I support this.

I own a property at 203 Hakanoa Street, Huntly which is *excluded* from the Operative District Plan maps for mine subsidence risk overlay, but *included* in the Proposed District Plan maps for mine subsidence risk overlay. I consider nothing has changed in either the risk or the spatial extent of the potential mine subsidence between the time the District Plan became operative and now to justify an extension of the overlay. On this basis, the increased extent of the overlay is not warranted.

Mr Eccles states has relied on the expert review and advice of Mr Johnson. Mr Johnson has undertaken an assessment of the mapping methodology and considers that properties now included in the proposed overlay are at low risk and should not be included in the subsidence area. I agree with this as I have never had any issues with my property.

I hope the Hearings Panel consider Mr Eccles' recommendation favourably to retain the existing operative overlay spatial extent (the 'Huntly East Mine Subsidence Area' overlay).

Yours faithfully



Renee Laker