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Tēnā korua Mr Ponter rāua ko Ms Puketapu-Dentice

Thank you for your email dated 15 February 2023 regarding the establishment and design of Puketahā Ecosanctuary at Wainuiomata.

My Department has advised that this proposal has the potential to provide a significant conservation benefit to at least three highly endangered species (kākāpo, rowi kiwi and hihi), as well as a range of other birds, plants, lizards and invertebrates.

I am therefore in support of submitting this proposal to the Prime Minister's Office to be considered for funding through the Prime Minister's Emerging Priorities Fund.

Once I have a response, I will be in touch.

Thank you for taking the time to forward your proposal through to me.

Nāku noa nā

Hon Willow-Jean Prime Minister of Conservation