

# Media Release

## Zoning review work to continue through December

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Work is well underway on the analysis of all information used to determine the land zoning boundaries on the Port Hills.

The Independent Port Hills Review Advisory Panel met at the end of November to begin assessing the highly technical information that relates to the zoning of the properties across the Port Hills area.

That work was expected to have been completed and the residents advised of the Government's decision by Christmas. However this will not be done in time.

The Government will consider the Panel's report and release its subsequent decisions in February.

CERA chief executive Roger Sutton says the analysis cannot be rushed, as that would defeat the purpose of the review.

"It has to be methodical and deliberate, just as the flat land review process was. There are many people who have applied to be part of the process because they do not believe the original decision was correct, so we must make absolutely certain that this review covers off every aspect of the process to confirm a final outcome."

Over 130 people applied to be part of the review from 14 suburbs across the Port Hills. Of those, 60 who have been zoned Green would like to have been zoned Red, and 72 have been zoned Red but want to be Green.

The largest number of applications are from Sumner, where 23 Red Zone property owners want to change along with 15 of those who have land in the Green Zone.