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Dear Brian

## Funding for Friends of Mana Island Conservation Projects

I was delighted to hear that the Friends of Mana Island (FOMI) has secured funding from OMV for Mana Island conservation projects.

I'd like to congratulate you on this achievement and acknowledge the tremendous contribution FOMI continues to make to conservation.

Mana Island's predator-free status and flourishing diversity of native wildlife is testament to the dedication and expertise of FOMI in leading restoration projects, as well as the strength of partnership between business, the community, the Department, and iwi. The planned seabird surveys, and fernbird and white-face storm petrel translocations will further enhance the island's high conservation value.

I wish you the best of luck and look forward to hearing how your projects progress.

Yours sincerely

Reg Kemper

Director Operations Lower North Island

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