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Tēnā koe Darryl

### **We've varied the New Zealand Heritage List entry for Defiance Hut**

Our Board has reviewed the entry of Defiance Hut, Franz Josef (List No. 5046) on the New Zealand Heritage List/Rārangi Kōrero ('the List'). After carefully considering the review report, the Board has decided to vary this List entry to reflect the building at its new relocated site.

The change to the List entry will take effect on Wednesday 10 September 2025. We've enclosed a printout of the List entry and the final report for your information.

### **We didn't seek public submissions about this property**

We reviewed this List entry in agreement with Department of Conservation as owner of the property. Because they've given their written approval, the law doesn't require us to seek submissions from the public.

We'll place a public notice about the Board's decision by 5 September 2025 on our website, [www.heritage.org.nz](http://www.heritage.org.nz).

### **Our recommendation for this property**

Properties on the List should be conserved for the future. The Heritage New Zealand recommendation to ensure the continued conservation of this place is that it remains entered on the heritage schedule of the district plan and that scheduling reflects the current location of the building at the Franz Josef Glacier road-end carpark.

### **Contact us for more information**

If you have any questions about our decision, please contact Robyn Burgess, Senior Heritage Assessment Advisor, email: [rburgess@heritage.org.nz](mailto:rburgess@heritage.org.nz) or phone 03 3631890.

Ngā mihi

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*Attachment: List entry record, final review report  
cc. Manager Heritage Listing, Heritage New Zealand*