



Granity – Buller District



# Te Tai o Poutini PLAN

## How can we live with our natural hazards?

Natural hazard planning is intended to help protect people, property and infrastructure from a wide range of natural hazards (e.g. flooding, landslides, earthquakes, coastal erosion), as well as to build stronger and more resilient communities. Councils have a key role in this.

Our natural hazards provisions in Te Tai o Poutini Plan need to identify where development is, or is not, appropriate, and what we should consider when developing in areas subject to some form of natural hazard risk.



Westport – Buller District

## Some of the ideas we would like your feedback on are:

- Identifying a “high hazard line” along the coastline, and in some other locations, beyond which there should be no new buildings or development
- Where existing buildings are within a “high hazard line”, preventing extensions to buildings, or rebuilding if they are destroyed by the hazard
- Identifying locations where relocatable buildings will need to be used, and how and where they will be relocated to when the natural hazard becomes too great to live with
- Identifying areas for “managed retreat” – where parts of settlements could relocate when the natural hazard becomes too great to live with
- Requiring “freeboard” – additional height above the ground for buildings in some flood prone areas
- Identifying critical infrastructure where ongoing protection from natural hazards is required and ensuring that this can be undertaken easily
- Identifying quality rock source locations for natural hazard protection works
- Identifying alternative locations for critical infrastructure, such as the state highway and airports, for relocation if required.



## How can I get involved?

We are keen to get your feedback, and any other ideas you might have, about how natural hazards should be managed through the Plan. You can come to one of our drop in sessions held throughout the region in March 2020 and chat to the team, or attend a public meeting in Westport, Reefton, Hokitika or Greymouth. You can also visit our website [www.ttp.westcoast.govt](http://www.ttp.westcoast.govt) or email us your thoughts and ideas at [info@ttp.nz](mailto:info@ttp.nz)

This is a plan for our community. We need your help to ensure that it is a plan to support a vibrant and resilient West Coast.



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