

## Te Tai o Poutini Plan Committee

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## New combined District Plan Proposal released for public submissions

The proposed Te Tai o Poutini Plan, the combined district plan for the West Coast, was released today after three years of development in consultation with iwi, the community and stakeholder groups.

Te Tai o Poutini Plan (TTPP) combines the district planning processes for the Buller, Grey and Westland District Councils, replacing the current individual district plans. TTPP sets out the objectives, policies, rules and methods to manage land use activities and subdivision across the districts. TTPP also includes online maps to show zoning, and where various rules apply.

TTPP will affect every person on the Coast as it covers important things like power and communications infrastructure networks, ensuring there is sufficient land for business and housing development, avoiding or mitigating natural hazards, maintaining indigenous biological diversity, and controlling noise and subdivision.

TTPP Chair, Rex Williams, said that this was a momentous stage in the plan's development, and it was important people take the time to have a look and see how it may impact them.

"Because the Plan covers the range of topics it does, it is likely to affect nearly everyone on the West Coast. There are a lot of zoning changes, so we encourage you to review the maps and see what this means for your property – commercial or residential."

Developed as an e-plan, TTPP will be more accessible through online viewing making it easier for anyone to view the plan. The e-plan comes with a mapping tool that lets the user zoom in on a property to check what zoning changes and other overlays might affect an individual property. The proposed Plan and maps are available at <u>www.ttpp.nz</u>

The TTPP website also has details of where printed copies of the plan can be viewed, and the dates and venues for public meetings planned for August 2022.

The release of the proposed TTPP signals the start of the official submission period. **Submissions must be made by 5.00pm on Friday 30th September 2022**. Submission forms are available at <u>www.ttpp.nz</u> and in hard copy at the venues across the West Coast where the Proposed Plan is displayed.

Mr Williams acknowledged the community's input to date.

"I want to thank the West Coast community for their contributions so far. The Committee is rapt to be able to release the proposed Plan. Now we encourage everyone to take the time to have a look and make a submission about the things you like and where you can see opportunity for change. This is your Plan – let's make it the best plan we can."

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