



Te Tai o Poutini

PLAN

A combined district plan for the West Coast

Project Manager Update

1 September 2022 – 30 September 2022

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Accomplishments this Period

- The final two public meetings took place in Buller on 1 September. There was a great turn out in Westport, and I have received a number of emails commenting on the planners' calm professionalism. This is true for all of the public engagement undertaken on the proposed Plan, and I would like to add my thanks and praise for the team.
- The support from Committee members and council staff at the meetings was greatly appreciated and they made a very valuable contribution to many of the conversations.
- Over 380 people attended the 18 public meetings and 4 library sessions held by staff.
- During September the number of queries has reduced significantly, with the majority being from council planning staff as they work through the implications of TTPP provisions.
- Poutini Ngāi Tahu have continued to work in collaboration with the planning and GIS teams to update the TTPP maps. This has been a mammoth task and wouldn't have been achieved without the oversight and input of Philippa Lynch from Poutini Environmental. The updated maps were published on the TTPP website on Friday 16 September. Individual maps then had to be developed for each of the 216 SASM. Compilation of the individual SASM maps, letters and information began the week of 19 September, and the first letters were posted to landowners in the week of 26 September.
- Over a dozen information sheets have been produced to highlight some of the changes in different towns and settlements or explain what is happening on a specific topic such as mineral extraction. The information sheets are available on the TTPP website.
- The extension to the submission period has been advertised by public notice, contacts lists have been emailed about the change, as have central and local government contacts.
- Advertising is ongoing and will include the extension to the submission period.
- Online forms and information now advertise the new closing date and updated hard copies of the forms will be delivered to 19 venues along with updated maps and Plan text.
- There are no more meetings scheduled for the current Committee. I would like to thank the Committee for its hard work and support of the planning team over the past three years.

Plans for Next Period





- Final SASM letters posted
- Respond to queries
- Summarise submissions

- Update landscape and coastal research
- Update WCRC Resource Management Committee
- TTPPC meeting 15 December at Grey District Council.

Key Issues, Risks & Concerns

Item	Action/Resolution	Responsible	Completion Date
Not getting key stakeholder buy-in	Contact and meet with them individually. Plan stakeholder workshops and on-going engagement process	Project Manager	Ongoing
Decision makers can't agree	Get agreement on pieces of work prior to plan completion	Chairman	Ongoing
Budget insufficient for timely plan delivery	Work with TTPPC to recommend budget, and with WCRC to raise rate to achieve deliverables	Project Manager TTPP Committee CE WCRC	Annually Jan/Feb
Changes to national legislation	Planning team keep selves, Committee and Community updated on changes to legislation and the implications for TTPP	Project Manager Planning Team	Ongoing
Staff safety at public consultation	Committee members to proactively address & redirect aggressive behavior towards staff	TTPP Committee	Ongoing
National emergencies such as Covid-19 lock down	Staff and Committee ensure personal safety and continue to work remotely as able. Work with contractors to expedite work.	Project Manager TTPP Committee	Ongoing
Committee delay or reduce scope of required research	Committee ensure timely research is enabled	TTPP Committee	Ongoing
Time and Cost of Appeals Process	Realistic budget set for best case costs. Awareness that contentious issues such as SNAs, natural hazards, mineral extraction and landscape provisions could see an extended appeals process, increasing costs to reach operative plan status	TTPP Committee TTPP Steering Group Project Manager	Ongoing
Community concerns over proposed Plan content	Respond to queries by phone, email and public meetings. Update information, encourage submissions.	TTPP Committee Project Manager	Ongoing

Status

Overall		
Schedule		Proposed Plan Notified
Resources		Future budgets required to cover hearings and mediation
Scope		Schedule 1 processes leading to updates to Plan to achieve operative status

Schedule

Stage	Target for Completion	Comments
Notify Te Tai o Poutini Plan	14 July 2022	This will be the "Proposed" Plan
Public Meetings	August 2022	Public meetings at 18 venues for proposed Plan
Submissions on Te Tai o Poutini Plan	28 October 2022	A Minimum of 40 working days for submissions
Local Body Elections	October 2022	
Further Submissions	31 January 2023	Submissions must be summarised and published and then there are 10 working days for further submissions
Pre-hearing meetings/ Mediation	30 April 2023	Indicative time only

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Hearings Te Tai o Poutini Plan	31 August 2023	Indicative time only
Decisions Te Tai o Poutini Plan	30 November 2023	Indicative time only
Ongoing Decision Making for TTPP	December 2023 onward	TTPPC is a permanent Committee. Once the Plan is adopted the ongoing Committee role includes monitoring implementation and the need for any amendments, and undertaking amendments and reviews, or ensuring these are undertaken, as required.
Appeals and Mediation Te Tai o Poutini Plan	May 2024	Indicative time only. Any parts of the Plan not appealed are operative from the end of the Appeal Period.
Environment or High Court	2024-2025	Indicative time only.



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