

Te Tai o Poutini Plan Proposed Plan

Submission form

Have your say!

We need your feedback. We want to hear from you on the proposed Te Tai o Poutini Plan. What do you support and what would you like changed? And why? It is just as important to understand what you like in the Proposed Plan as what you don't. Understanding everyone's perspectives is essential for developing a balanced plan.

Your details:

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Are you submitting as an individual, or on behalf of an organisation?

Individual

Organisation

Organisation (if applicable): Newcastle Resources Limited

Would you gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission?

Yes

No

If you **could** gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission please complete the following:

I am /am not directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that (a) adversely affects the environment; and (b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

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Date: 12 October 2022

Your submission:

The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to are:

 Strategic Direction Energy Infrastructure and Transport Hazards and Risks Historical and Cultural Values Natural Environment Values Subdivision General District Wide Matters Zones Schedules Appendices General feedback

All submitters have the opportunity to present their feedback to Commissioners during the hearings process. Hearings are anticipated to be held in the middle of 2023. Please indicate your preferred option below:

 I wish to speak to my submission I do not wish to speak to my submission

If others make a similar submission, would you consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing?

 Yes, I would consider presenting a joint case No, I would not consider presenting a joint case

Public information - all information contained in a submission under the Resource Management Act 1991, including names and addresses for service, becomes public information. The content provided in your submission form will be published to the Te Tai o Poutini Plan website and available to the public. It is your responsibility to ensure that your submission does not include any personal information that you do not want published.

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Te Tai o Poutini
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A combined district plan for the West Coast

Submission on Te Tai o Poutini Plan in support of mining provisions and mineral extraction zones on the West Coast

- 1 This is a submission on the Proposed Te Tai o Poutini Plan (**Plan**).
- 2 I support recognising the importance of mining to the West Coast. I support specifically providing for mineral extraction in zones across the three West Coast districts including within rural, open space and specific mineral extraction zones. I support the Mineral Extraction Zone remaining in the Plan and including future activities to help ensure economic opportunities on the West Coast into the future.
- 3 The West Coast needs industry and employment. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted that districts cannot survive on tourism alone, and needs existing and new industry to keep the West Coast going, and to provide our people future employment opportunities. Many experienced people have left the region seeking mining employment offshore, and have eventually taken their families with them.
- 4 Mineral extraction projects will deliver new economic opportunities and offshoots to other businesses including construction, sciences, engineering, transport, mechanical and the hospitality, retail and accommodation sectors. Future projects are likely to bring opportunities to the port and rail services – providing resilience for those services, AF8 and investment opportunities. The community can only benefit from the commitment and involvement of the mining and development sector – with significant employment, high salaries, and the ongoing support of community initiatives and charities, one example being our rescue helicopter which is funded by one of our local mining companies. Our school roles and community groups stay buoyant with a thriving industry which also creates many levels of employment.
- 5 The Plan says that 84% of the land area in the West Coast is under the management of the Department of Conservation, with approximately 90% covered in indigenous vegetation. The region therefore has a low level of "other" land, and we need to ensure that that this residual land is used for its highest and best value use while ensuring environmental effects are managed. Mining activities can achieve this.
- 6 The government has identified green minerals as a target area for growth, and the West Coast is fortunate enough to contain these green minerals. The West Coast should be extracting the green minerals to provide much-needed benefits to the region.
- 7 One example is the mineral deposits at Barrytown Flat. The minerals that are proposed to be mined on the Barrytown Flats are needed for new green technologies, and are clearly aligned with the government's environmental objectives. The site is in a rural area and when the mineral sand mining goes ahead, it will be a small-scale operation on private land with minimal disruption to the environment. These activities should be included within mineral extraction zones.