

Formal Submission to the West Coast TPP Plan from Michael Orchard



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Dear Team, it has been good to be part of this process both attending meetings and hearing committees plus corresponding.

Regretfully the pressure of Forestry and Environmental work still means I have not had time to read it cover to cover or view all the maps.

And particularly I find it very frustrating to use online (without downloading the full PDF). One clicks on a topic and all one gets is a pretty picture, without the text taking you deeper into the document. I still have not been able to find a decent old fashion index which you can then click on to examine further section in! However luckily, I had a bit more success by typing in to the Search Engine to find the bit on Forestry. I will contact you in the office in future weeks to try and make more sense of the website roadmap.

My FORMAL SUBMISSION :

- 1 Supports the use of the IPS -PF as the principal document regulating exotic production forestry on the West Coast.
- 2 Similarly the plan should approve indigenous production forestry, where permitted under the national rules set by MPI (we have a sizable number of these in our region).
3. I support the Biodiversity principles, and rules, and especially support and congratulate the Grey District Council for their many Significant Natural Area Sites identified and listed in the plans appendices. BUT I am concerned that Buller and Westland District Councils have made no such effort, and ASK that this plan be so worded to require them to undertake equivalent Surveys and Designations within a short time either using the old criteria as used by Grey District, or the new Government Biodiversity Policy coming out.
4. I request that all formal reserve types in the West Coast Region of many legal types be identified and mapped and named to support the Biodiversity effort.

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