

**BEFORE INDEPENDENT HEARINGS COMMISSIONERS APPOINTED BY WEST
COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991
("the Act")

AND

IN THE MATTER of submissions by NZ Transport Agency
Waka Kotahi (submitter s450) on Proposed
Te Tai o Poutini Plan – Minute 15 -
Designations

**STATEMENT OF STUART PEARSON ON BEHALF OF NZ TRANSPORT AGENCY
WAKA KOTAHI**

22 January 2024

NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) received Minute 15 of the Proposed Te Tai o Poutini – Combined West Coast District Plan Review (TTPP) on 11 January 2024, which covered matters in relation to designations from the hearing conducted on the 13th of December 2023.

The reporting officer, Ms Zhai, stated the following:

I agree that it is appropriate to amend the state highway designation to:

- (a) Align with the corrected legalised road boundaries;*
- (b) Cover formed and operational road, including shoulders, existing gravel areas, lay-bys, rockwalls, and other areas which meet the definition of 'road' under the Government Roading Powers Act 1989; and*
- (c) Cover any missed legal road parcels.*

The West Coast Regional Council's GIS team has identified that there are 379 discrete areas of amendments to expand the state highway designation boundaries, and the areas of expansion range from 0.1m² to 82,189m². However, it is noted that the TTPP planning maps have not been updated to align with the most recent Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) parcel boundaries, which were used by NZTA when creating the updated shapefiles.

It has therefore been requested that NZTA show the changes to the designation boundary in greater detail to ensure that the amendments to the state highway designation shapefiles can be assessed for accuracy.

NZTA is currently liaising with Ms Zhai to understand and obtain the LINZ data that is being used in the TTPP planning maps. It is beneficial that this information is received so that it can be compared with the latest LINZ data that was utilised by NZTA, which will then inform us as to where the 379 discrete areas of amendments are situated.

I understand that Ms Zhai has requested this information, which will then be forwarded to NZTA to allow us the undertake the necessary work to respond to the request in Minute 15.

On receipt of this information, NZTA will be able to respond within 15 working days.



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