

**IN THE MATTER of
the Resource Management Act 1991**

AND

**IN THE MATTER of
Hearing of submissions and further
submissions on the Proposed Te Tai O
Poutini Plan**

**MINUTE 21 – NATURAL FEATURES AND
LANDSCAPES**

INTRODUCTION

1. Following the completion of the Natural Features and Landscapes Hearings we undertook a number of site visits.
2. From those site visits and having heard and reviewed the submissions, we consider that some specific landscapes would benefit from further review and if necessary, refinement on the notified Outstanding Natural Landscape (ONL) boundary. Those we consider where specific review, over and above the general review and refinement of all ONL boundaries discussed at the hearing, is necessary are:
 - ONL 31 – specifically, the Cobden to Point Elizabeth frontage where part of a pine plantation has been carved out and there are large areas non-indigenous vegetation.
 - ONL 27 – in particular, the location of the ONL boundary along the Taramakau River which may incorporate areas of river protection works; and to the south of State Highway 73 near the boundary with ONL 25, where there maybe quarry sites on the edge of the ONL.
 - ONL 29 – adjoining Mitchells.
 - ONL 44, 45 and 46 just south of Fox River.
 - ONL 45 around 4224 State Highway 6, Punakaiki
 - ONL 41 in the vicinity of the Cascade Mine where there is an overlap with the Buller Coalfields Zone.
 - ONL 54 in proximity to the West Coast Regional Council quarry off Arapito Road.
3. We note that in considering the above the ONL's cannot, unless via submission, be extended beyond what was notified, but can be reduced.



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Independent Commissioner – Chair - on behalf of the Hearing Panel members

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