

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

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My submission: I wish to oppose variation 2 to the Te Tai Poutini Plan, relating to our property valuation number 2574000803. Our property rises 40 m from the Waimea Creek. It forms part of the coastal terrace that runs east of the railway corridor from Hokitika to Greymouth. The affected Coastal Hazard Zone is a very small portion the area at the south eastern boundary of the property. The actual area is so small it is hard to see on the TTP map. The area concerned is covered in native bush and is almost inaccessible. The entire area of our property has gullys covered with thick native bush, except for a small flat piece where we have built our house, which makes it a challenge to even walk over should you wish to.

Even if the area deemed a coastal hazard is flooded, it would be highly unlikely to affect or endanger any habitable area. If it was flooded, there would be no coastal highway, rail track, or property in the Awatuna valley near the State Highway. Therefore, putting a Coastal Hazard Zone on this property seems out of proportion to the actual danger the zoning suggests. This would likely affect our insurances and devalue the property which to us seems punitive, especially as we are a retired couple on a fixed income. It would greatly affect our affordability to remain living in our home we build for our retirement.

I would like the following decision(s) to be made with respect to this Variation:

I am asking that the Coastal Hazard Zoning be removed from our property for the rasos given above.

Please indicate if you wish to speak to your submission: I wish to speak to my submission

If any others making similar submissions wish to be heard: No, I would prefer to present my own individual case