

SUBMISSION ON AN APPLICATION FOR RESOURCE CONSENT UNDER SECTION 96 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

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CONSENT NUMBER: WCRC: RC-2023-0046, GDC: LUN3154/23

APPLICANT: TIGA MINERALS AND METALS LTD

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTIVITY: Establish and operate a mineral sands mine, including construction of associated infrastructure.

LOCATION: Barrytown Flats, west of State Highway 6 (Coast Road), 9km south of Punakaiki township and 36km north of Greymouth

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Signature of the submitter: Richard Fulford

Date: 8/10/2012

Name (BLOCK CAPITALS): RICHARD FULFORD

I oppose the application

I DO NOT wish to be heard and hereby make my submission in writing only.

If you wish to be heard, and others make a similar submission would you consider making a joint case with them at any hearing. *No*

If you indicated you wish to be heard, you will be sent a copy of the S.42A Officer's Report and a copy of the Decision once it is released. Please indicate below which format you would like to receive these documents in: Electronic copy or Hard (paper) copy

I have served a copy of my submission on the Applicant as per Section 96(6)(b) of the RMA

Yes

I am not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308B of the Resource Management Act 1991.

I request pursuant to section 100A of the Act, that you delegate your functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to 1 or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority.



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Note to submitter

Please note that your submission (or part of your submission) may be struck out if the authority is satisfied that at least 1 of the following applies to the submission (or part of the submission):

- it is frivolous or vexatious:
- it discloses no reasonable or relevant case:
- it would be an abuse of the hearing process to allow the submission (or the part) to be taken further:
- it contains offensive language:
- it is supported only by material that purports to be independent expert evidence, but has been prepared by a person who is not independent or who does not have sufficient specialised knowledge or skill to give expert advice on the matter

Submission

I oppose the application due to:

- 1) **I believe that TiGa's application for an open cast sand mine would not be in line with the New Zealand Government's Emissions Reduction Plan. Considering the majority of the minerals which TiGa want to extract are not for 'green tech', the emissions resulting from their activities would be wholly unacceptable in a rapidly warming world. I was surprised to see that diesel generators will be used extensively to run the site and, along with the HGV trucks, this is definitely a high emissions activity.**
- 2) **TiGa's application was brought to my attention by a friend who lives in Wellington. He has taken a keen interest in the Tāiko after visiting the Barrytown flats and surrounding area. As an amateur ornithologist I'm concerned that should the mine go ahead, it would pose a significant threat to their populations, mainly due to increased levels of light pollution.**
- 3) **After having watched a presentation regarding TiGa's application for a mine on the Barrytown flats, I have decided, in protest, to abstain from visiting New Zealand until I can be reassured that the mine will not go ahead in this environmentally sensitive area. I look forward to visiting New Zealand for the first time, but the application for a mine in this beautiful area is deeply concerning.**

- 4) I understand that there is a wetland area between the main coast road and the sea and the mine would be immediately adjacent to this. After having observed the damage caused to my local watercourse due to sand extraction, I am concerned that it will inevitably lead to a compromised lagoon/wetland habitat. Coastal wetlands are particularly sensitive. I work with wetland habitats, and it is concerning that the proposed industrial mine will be adjacent to a particularly important wetland.
- 5) The Climate Change and Ecological Crises are, in my view, the defining crises of our time, and TiGa's proposed mine is not conducive with New Zealand's supposed 'Clean, Green, New Zealand' which it sells to the world.

I seek the following decision from the Local Authority: that the application be declined in its entirety.