

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

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PART A: DESCRIPTION OF APPLICATION

CONSENT NUMBER:

APPLICANT:

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

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

PART B: SUBMITTER DETAILS

Full name/s	Melissa McLuskie		
Postal address	[REDACTED]		
I am the owner/occupier (delete one) of the following property:	Occupier		
Primary contact person/s	Melissa McLuskie		
Email address	[REDACTED]		
Phone number/s	Home:	[REDACTED]	Business:
	Mobile:	[REDACTED]	Fax:

Signature:	Date:
[REDACTED]	13/10/2023
Name (BLOCK CAPITALS):	
Melissa McLuskie	

*If this is a joint submission by 2 or more individuals, each individual's signature is required
A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.*

I/we **support** the application numbers indicated by a tick on the back of this form

I/we **oppose** the application

I/we **neither support nor oppose** the application

(tick one)

(tick one)

I/we **wish to be heard** in support of my/our submission.

I/we **DO NOT wish to be heard** and hereby make my/our 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

 Yes 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 (CD) copy Hard (paper) copy

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

 Yes

My/our submission is that: (state in summary the nature of your submission. Clearly indicate whether you support or oppose the specific proposal, or wish to have amendments made, giving reasons)

I oppose the application for the following reasons:

1. Industrial mining of the scale proposed in a populated rural area would have significant and widely distributed adverse effects on people, the community and the environment.
2. The economic benefits of the proposal are uncertain. Community wellbeing and other environmental values should not be compromised in the pursuit of speculative economics.
3. SH6 is likely to become much more dangerous. The Barrytown School bus runs twice daily and stops often along Coast Road and fear it compromises the safety of children getting on/off the bus safely. Has potential to increase risk of collisions/accidents. We are situated close to the road and the constant back and forth of trucks will disrupt health & wellbeing and increase safety risk when crossing the road to get to the beach, go for a walk etc. Plus the added trucking noise & vibration would disrupt general wellbeing.
4. The risk of damage and cost of repair to the already fragile SH6 from the significant increase in trucking is high.
5. Adverse effects on amenity values. Current amenity values are high and draw many visitors and residents to the area. The proposal would degrade the natural character of the coastal environment, social fabric of the community, and recreational values. We relocated to the West Coast to be closer to nature and raise our children in a community environment, where we could teach them about conservation and sustainable living.
6. Specific concerns about adverse effects on threatened native species and the environment and lack of evidence from the Avian Management Plan and Ecological Effects Assessment to mitigate or avoid potential harm to native species, particularly penguins and petrels.
7. The proposal involves heavy use of fossil fuelled mine machinery and trucking. It would generate significant new carbon emissions and contribute to the myriad of adverse effects from global warming. It goes against the Zero Carbon Act requirement to decarbonise and transition to a low emission economy.
9. The potential adverse effects of radiation and the lack of a New Zealand code of practice for managing radiation safety in the mining industry.
10. The proposal is contrary to the Resource Management Act, and many national, regional and district level objectives and policies designed to protect the environment.

I/we seek the following decision from the Local Authority:(give precise details)

I seek the decision be declined in its entirety due to lack of factual information provided and lack of sufficient environmental/native species assessments and subsequent management.

Should the application be approved-

I request the Avian Management Plan be reviewed and approved by independent experienced professionals- relevant to each species at risk and that ongoing independent audits are undertaken to ensure mitigation measures are being upheld and any harm to native species prevented. I also request environmental impacts be reviewed further and any potential adverse environmental effects mitigated.

Important information – please read carefully

Public information

The information you provide is public information. It is used to help process a resource consent application and assess the impact of an activity on the environment and other people.

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