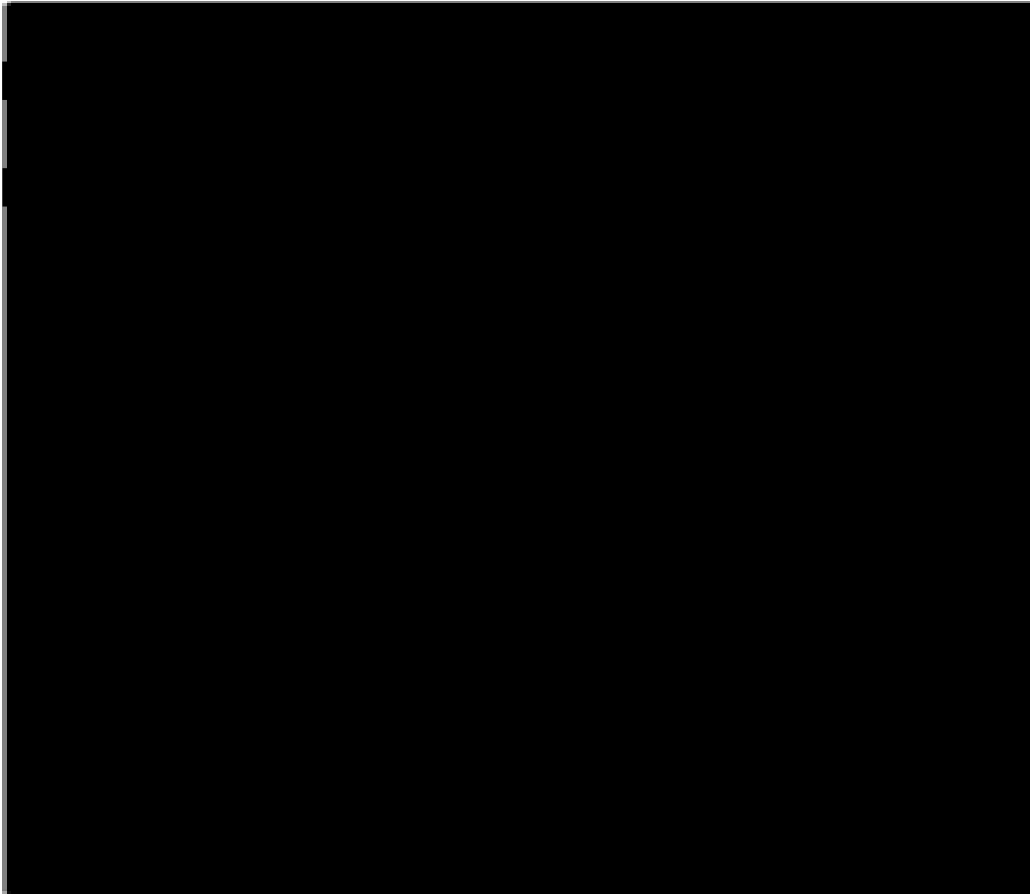


Details



Background

TIGA Minerals and Metals Ltd (TIGA) holds Mineral Permits over the Barrytown flats area north of Greymouth on the West Coast of the South Island, New Zealand. TIGA is currently seeking Resource Consent for an area within these permits north of Canoe Creek, this matter is the subject of a publicly notified resource consent hearing.

TIGA have undertaken extensive research in preparing the resource consent application including consulting experts on various subjects to ensure their activities will have less than minor impacts on the surrounding environment and fit within the legislative framework they are required to operate under.

Through this work and engaging with subject matter experts TIGA believe their proposed activities will not impact the Westland Petrel Tāiko population due to the mitigation it proposes to undertake. TIGA wishes to contribute to the community and surrounding environment by undertaking biodiversity enhancement work with a focus on improving our understanding of the Westland Petrel Tāiko population and implementing work programmes aimed at improving conservation outcomes.

TIGA has investigated how it may contribute to improving biodiversity in the wider area and proposes forming a partnership with Te Runanga o Ngati Waewae and the Paparoa Wildlife Trust to improve biodiversity through predator control and other conservation activities as well as improving our understanding of the Westland Petrel Tāiko through further research with

Mātauranga Māori central to this work.

The parties to the agreement have the capability and capacity to undertake this work with the ability to bring in other parties as partners to research and to undertake conservation work on the ground. These parties may include the Department of Conservation, Westland Petrel Tāiko conservation groups, academic institutions, the community, and local government.

Accordingly, the Parties enter into this Agreement to record the terms on which they will work together, and their respective rights and obligations, in relation to the proposed work.

The Parties agree that TIGA Minerals and Metals Ltd can refer to the background content on this Agreement as part of demonstrating their commitment to the community and improving biodiversity, with Mātauranga Māori central to this work as part of their resource consent process.