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

PART A: DESCRIPTION OF APPLICATION

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

PART B: SUBMITTER DETAILS

Full name/s: Mary Alford

Postal Address:

I am the owner of the following property:

Primary contact person: Self

Email address:

Phone numbers:

Date: 11/10/23

Name (BLOCK CAPITALS): MARY ALFORD

I oppose the application

I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission.

'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 in 1 or more hearings to commissioners who are not members of the local authority.

Important information from Councils – Please read carefully

## **Public information**

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- 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 on the following grounds.

The road is already in chronic disrepair with sections threatened by catastrophic landslips and long sections on the beach side being eroded Every Day. Surely that one fact is enough to dissuade the Council and Waka Kotahi from allowing this activity to proceed.

Large Heavy Laden trucks plying the Famous Tourist Route will essentially be visually

polluting creating noise and traffic congestion...pity the frightened cycle tourists who won't want to cycle the road and in this day and age word will get out quickly that this is the case.

It is already hard to walk along the road and this increase in road usage will make any Pedestrians, Locals and Tourists, fear for their lives if they try.

New Zealand is a first world country but this activity will certainly make it a third world experience.

Tranquility and peace and serenity will be gone. No tourist is going to enjoy that.

The mental Health of Local Residents will be compromised as we all witness the changes this activity on our public highway and surrounding area will have.

Our Flora and Fauna will be degraded and possibly destroyed.

Blue Penguins, Westland petrels, Weka all live alongside this road.

The Beach at Barrytown will become ugly and noisy and therefore will not be a Wilderness Experience.

There are Lagoons and a wetland area that need protecting?

Tourism will suffer as word gets out to the international travellers who will probably go elsewhere for their quiet Holidays.

The new Visitor Center won't be able to persuade Tourists that this is a special place (one of the top 10 Coast Roads in the World...Lonely Planet) if they can see with their own eyes what is taking place and locals will tell them what is happening. Again word will get out that our area is not what it claims to be (Clean Green Wilderness) thereby diminishing tourist numbers.

Personally I am primarily Sad, but also bewildered when not angry ,to see this happening here and I very much Hope that this Egregious plan is thrown into the Bin where it belongs.

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