# FORM 13: SUBMISSION ON AN APPLICATION FOR RESOURCE CONSENT UNDER SECTION 96 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

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Date:
12 October 2022
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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  $\operatorname{\textbf{support}}$  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)

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I/we <b>DO NOT wish to be heard</b>	and hereby make my/our submission in writing only.	
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local authority. \*select one.

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

#### **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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## Note to submitter

If you are making a submission to the Environmental Protection Authority, you should use form 16B.

The closing date for serving submissions on the consent authority is the 20th working day after the date on which public or limited notification is given. If the application is subject to limited notification, the consent authority may adopt an earlier closing date for submissions once the consent authority receives responses from all affected persons.

You must serve a copy of your submission on the applicant as soon as is reasonably practicable after you have served your submission on the consent authority.

If you are a trade competitor, your right to make a submission may be limited by the trade competition provisions in Part 11A of the Resource Management Act 1991.

If you make a request under section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991, you must do so in writing no later than 5 working days after the close of submissions and you may be liable to meet or contribute to the costs of the hearings commissioner or commissioners. You may not make a request under section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991 in relation to an application for a coastal permit to carry out an activity that a regional coastal plan describes as a restricted coastal activity.

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.

# R Langridge & D Vandenberg

### **Submission**

We oppose the application in its entirety due to the following concerns:

1. Negative affects of mining operations and associated activities on health and wellbeing of people and wildlife, emissions/the climate, and natural resources including the land

We wish to be able to live where we do, and continue to enjoy the best rural qualities of our area, including much peace and quiet, and an environment dominated by the presence and sounds of nature, and sounds of the sea. We want this retained for our children and for future generations.

The proposal is adverse to our existing uses of the land and water, and to our future vision for our family's land (which surrounds the application area).

We see environmental health is not just important for our nature economy, or for recreation, it is also an issue of endurance. We want our children to be able to recreate, fish and birdwatch etc as we have always done. We want vegetation to survive, whitebait to breed, kelp to survive, surfcasting for inshore- feeding fish species to be possible into the future.

We see that this large-scale proposal would have significant, long term and permanent, negative impacts on people (ourselves and others), wildlife and natural resources- including on the land itself. We believe that this kind of mining here is neither necessary or justified and that there are alternative paths of greater benefit for the area.

There would be major adverse impacts of the mining and associated activities, that could not be compensated for through rehabilitation and mitigations.

- 2. Negative impacts of noise and vibrations of the mining operations including traffic on ourselves, the environment, our farming operations and community
- 3. Impacts on the hydrology of the area due to the mining and its associated activities, including on our family's properties, and when considering associated risks from a changed climate.

Comparing previous water management methods mooted during the former Barrytown J.V application for this site, and those mooted in this application, highlights hydrological uncertainties risks and issues associated with mining this location.

- 4. Potential negative social impacts, the application being out of step with the wider Barrytown Flats/ Coast Road and its community
- 5. The actions of the company to date regarding this proposal, including information distributed and disseminated about the project
- 6. Tenuous economic benefits, the undermining of existing local economic lifelines and other positives
- 7. The implications and impacts of this type of placer deposit mining, which is new to New Zealand
- 8. Mining methods chosen, including the use/discharge and placement of chemicals

- 9. Ecological impacts from the mining operations and associated activities
- 10. Concerns around monitoring and methodology
- 11. Coastal impacts/natural hazards being impacted by the mining operations and their associated activities; land forms post-mining
- 12. Impacts of mine traffic along possible trucking routes, and on existing and future road users and their safety
- 13. Proposed setbacks and boundaries
- 14. Negative visual and landscape impacts for ourselves and others, including lighting impacts, affecting existing amenity and landscape values, wildlife and further potential economic opportunities
- 15. The radioactive components of the minerals and how these are dealt with
- 16. Procurement, scale and placement of infrastructure and buildings
- 17. The historical context given:

We oppose the painting of the land in and around the application area, by the company, as having been extensively mined in the past (both in this application and in an associated bid to make it a Mineral Extraction Zone precinct in future TTPP district plan legislation).

The ponds on and adjacent to the application area are being referred to as Dredge ponds by the company again in this application, which is disappointing. We pointed out why this is an historical misnomer via submission two years ago, during its previous bid to mine here as Barrytown JV Ltd.

Contrary to what the mining company asserts, there has been no "dredging" (a large scale mechanical mining technique) disturbance of the land here. It has been a farming area for over 100 years. A mining past should therefore, in no way be seen as justification in having this large mine here, or a designated mining zone/precinct.

- 18. The close working relationships of those working on the proposal both past and present (in reference also to the first Barrytown J.V application)
- 19. We oppose this proposal also where it is contrary to the RMA, to the objectives and policies of relevant regional and district plans, and proposed plans.

We do however, have a question as to whether the references to the Te Tai o Poutini Plan (TTPP) in TiGa's application should even be taken into account by those assessing their application, as the TTPP has not yet been fully ratified, so does not yet have legal standing.