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## **Council welcomes mediation outcome**

West Coast Regional Council is welcoming the Environment Court's decision to confirm its granting of consent for the TiGa Mineral Sands Mine.

In April this year an independent panel of commissioners appointed by WCRC and Grey District Council released their decision approving the mine.

This was appealed to the Environment Court by the Coast Road Resilience Group.

The site is 36km north of Greymouth on about 63ha of coastal flats near Barrytown.

WCRC Chair Peter Haddock says the decision follows successful mediation and negotiation between the parties.

"That collaborative process led to environmental concerns being resolved, while enabling the project to proceed with some modifications.

"Council wants to acknowledge the applicants, staff and all parties involved in the mediation process for working together and reaching this agreement.

"The TiGa project was advanced through close engagement with Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Waewae Arahura and will achieve economic and social benefits for the West Coast.

"The work will be done with appropriate management of adverse effects, including potential adverse effects on the tāiko (Westland petrel)."

Cr Haddock says WCRC's role from here on will be monitoring and enforcement of the resource consent conditions.

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