


Westland Mineral Sands Ltd – Applications for West Coast Regional Council Resource Consent RC-2023-0133 and Westland District Council Resource Consent RC240013 – Submission

Pursuant to s96 of the Resource Management Act 1991

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I **support** the applications referenced within this document and **do not wish to be heard** in support of this submission at any hearing that may be held.

I wish to receive **electronic** copies of the s42A Officer's Report and Decision.

I have served a copy of my / our submission on the Applicant as per s96(6)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Reasons for Submission

As the Director and founder of Productive People I full support the application by Westland Mineral Sands Ltd for the Mananui mining project.

As a West Coast-based HR and workforce development company, our mission is to drive sustainable economic growth in the region through the development of people, skills, and employment pathways. The Mananui project directly aligns with our values and purpose.

We specifically support this project because of its potential to:

- Create up to 70 new, well-paid jobs in engineering, geotechnical, and maintenance fields.
- Inject an estimated \$37.9 million annually into the West Coast economy and generate \$71 million in export revenue.
- Contribute to the long-term sustainability of the region through progressive land rehabilitation, environmental protections, and iwi partnerships.

From our work with hundreds of local businesses, we know that labour and skills shortages remain a key barrier to business growth across the Coast. According to MBIE and DWC reports, over 60% of employers on the West Coast struggle to recruit skilled staff in engineering, trades, and technical roles.

The Mananui project offers an incredible opportunity to change this narrative. We see WMS not only as a significant employer but also as a potential training partner for youth and job seekers, providing real pathways into long-term careers.

As a recruitment and outsourcing agency, we are eager to support this project by:

- Promoting and filling roles locally.
- Supporting youth employment and work-readiness training.
- Advocating for upskilling and development in partnership with employers like WMS.

We seek the following decision from the Consent Authorities:

That the application be granted in its entirety.