


**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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We support the applications referenced within this document and wish to be heard in support of this submission at any hearing that may be held.

If others make a similar submission we are willing to make a joint case with them at any hearing.

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

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

#### **Reasons for Submission**

Electro Services Ltd (ESL) supports the application by Westland Mineral Sands Co. Limited (WMSC) for the proposed mineral sands project at Mananui.

ESL recently completed significant electrical and controls work for WMSC during the upgrade of their Cape Foulwind processing plant near Westport. Through this project, we developed a close working relationship with WMSC and gained direct insight into their operations, health and safety culture, and environmental management approach.

We were particularly impressed by WMSC's proactive focus on environmental stewardship. Their clear processes for protecting native species, commitment to progressive land rehabilitation, and implementation of regenerative mining practices set a strong standard for responsible development. The Mananui project continues this approach, with measures in place to protect and enhance nearby ecosystems, including Māhinapua Creek and Lake Māhinapua.

As a locally based company, ESL recognises the significant economic and community benefits this project brings to the West Coast. The job creation, infrastructure investment, and long-term contribution to the regional economy represent a positive step forward, especially when balanced with WMSC's proven track record of environmentally responsible operations.

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In our view, WMSC's application demonstrates a strong commitment to sustainable development that benefits both the local community and the wider region.

We therefore support the application and encourage its approval.

We seek the following decision from the Consent Authorities:

That the application be granted in its entirety.