

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

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**PART A: DESCRIPTION OF APPLICATION**

CONSENT NUMBER:

APPLICANT:

RC240013

Westland Mineral Sands Co Ltd

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTIVITY:

Heavy Mineral Sands Mining Operation

LOCATION:

Mananui Westland

**PART B: SUBMITTER DETAILS**

Full name/s	Karen Elizabeth Hitchcock		
Postal address	[REDACTED]		
/occupier (delete one) of the following property:	[REDACTED]		
Primary contact person/s	Karen Hitchcock		
Email address	[REDACTED]		
Phone number/s	Home:	[REDACTED]	Business:
	Mobile:	[REDACTED]	Fax:

Signature:	Date:
KE Hitchcock	01.04.2025
Name (BLOCK CAPITALS):	

*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 wish to submit on the applications lodged with the **West Coast Regional Council**  
I/we wish to submit on applications lodged with the **Westland District Council**  
I/we wish to submit on applications lodged with **BOTH Councils**

(tick one)

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I/we **support** the application

I/we **oppose** the application

I/we **neither support nor oppose** the application

(tick one)

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(tick one)

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

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I/we **DO NOT wish to be heard** and hereby make my/our submission in writing only.

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If you wish to be heard, and others make a similar submission would you consider making a joint case with them at any hearing

xx ☐ Yes

☐ No

If you indicated you wish to be heard, you will be sent a copy of the S.42A Officer's Report and a copy of the Decision once it is released. These documents will be sent electronically. Only under special circumstances will a hard copy be sent.

☐ Hard (paper) copy

Reasons for a hard copy: \_\_\_\_\_

I/we **have** served a copy of my/our submission on the Applicant as per Section 96(6)(b) of the RMA

☐ Yes

My/our submission is that: (state in summary the nature of your submission. Clearly indicate whether you support or oppose the specific proposal, or wish to have amendments made, giving reasons)

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the Resource Consent for Westland Mineral Sand co ltd proposed Heavy Mineral Sands Mining operation at Mananui.

I am opposed to the proposal for the following reasons:

- I do not support the 24 hours a day operation of the Road transport of the Mineral sand to the port of Greymouth as it will result in an increase in heavy traffic past my motel causing increased disruption for my guests.
- Hokitika does not have a heavy traffic bypass therefore those up to 6 truck and trailer movements will go past my tourist accommodation business every hour, day and night. Breaking the restful sleep of my clients.
- The current overnight heavy vehicle traffic is very low, Grouped around 4am with the Milk tankers leaving Westland Milk products. The existing heavy vehicles are loud as they pass the motel. In addition to the train that passes behind the motel at 6am.
- The proposal will result in an additional 6 truck movements an hour, that would be one truck and trailer unit every 10 minutes through the night.
- Not only will my business be impacted by the noise and increase in heavy traffic. Residents along the whole route will be impacted, it will also result in an increase in maintenance required, causing further disruption when reseals and repairs are required, and costing Council and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency.
- Hokitika is rebuilding our tourism destination image after the Pandemic disruptions and the increase in overnight Noise from Heavy traffic will taint that image.

In response to this submission, I strongly recommend the transport of sand to the Port of Greymouth be stopped between the hours of 10pm at night and 6 am in the morning. This will reduce the disruption to the community and travelling public.

Karen Hitchcock  
Fitzherbert Court Motel

I/we seek the following decision from the Local Authority/Authorities:(give precise details)

In response to this submission, I strongly recommend the transport of sand to the Port of Greymouth be stopped between the hours of 10pm at night and 6 am in the morning. This will reduce the disruption to the community and travelling public.

I/we have attached additional information/reports to support my/our submission

☐ Yes

**Important information – please read carefully**

**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.

Your information is held and administered by the West Coast Regional Council and Westland District Council in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the Privacy Act 1993. This means that your information may be disclosed to other people who request it in accordance with the terms of these Acts. It is therefore important you let us know if your form includes any information you consider should not be disclosed.



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