

Submission Form

Marine Consents and Marine Discharge Consents Application

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Incomplete Submission

Marine Consents and Marine Discharge Consents Application

Application Name: Trans-Tasman Resources Limited iron sand extraction and processing application

EPA Reference: EEZ000011

Applicant: Trans-Tasman Resources Limited

Notification Date: 17 September 2016

Submissions Close: Further extension of submission period to 5:00pm, Monday 12 December 2016
Originally submission period was to close 5:00pm, Friday 14 October 2016

3. Electronic correspondence

You will receive information by email. If you are unable to receive emails, please indicate below:

I cannot receive electronic copies of information and updates

4. Do you wish to speak to your submission at the hearing?*

I / We **do not wish** to speak about my / our submission at the hearing.

OR

I / We **wish** to speak about my / our submission at the hearing.

If you **wish to speak** at the hearing, tick as many as apply to you:

If others make a similar submission, I / we will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.

I / we wish to present in Te Reo Māori.

I / we wish to present in New Zealand Sign Language.

I / we intend on having legal representation (i.e. a lawyer speaking on your behalf).

I / we intend to have expert witnesses to support my / our submission.

5. What decision do you want the EPA to make and why?*

If you require more space, please attach additional pages. Please include your name, page numbers and *Trans-Tasman Resources Limited iron sand extraction and processing application* on the additional pages.

- Grant
- Grant with conditions
- Neutral
- Decline

My reasons for seeking this decision are:

As set out in my earlier submission. Now that the redacted information on HRW plume research is available, it appears that HRW have done a thorough job on the samples they were given. However, there is nothing to indicate that the samples were at all representative of the sediments it's proposed to mine. Flocculation improves with higher proportions of mud and clay, but the evidence previously made available indicates that the seabed is mainly sand and the geological reports made available give no indication that most of the area has any significant amounts of mud or clay. It's likely that the former river beds would have higher proportions of mud and clay, so samples picked from such sites probably would not be representative. Apart from the purported evidence of a smaller plume, this application is very similar to that turned down in 2014. As the evidence for the smaller plume rests on probably unrepresentative samples, it should be discounted until such time as TTR can show that the samples weren't carefully selected.

6. Do you have an existing interest that may be affected by what is proposed in this application?

- Lawfully established existing activity, whether or not authorised by or under any Act or Regulations, including rights of access, navigation and fishing
- Any activity that may be undertaken under the authority of an existing marine consent
- Any activity that may be undertaken under the authority of an existing resource consent granted under the Resource Management Act 1991
- Settlement of a historical claim under the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975
- Settlement of a contemporary claim under the Treaty of Waitangi as provided for in an Act, including the Treaty of Waitangi (Fisheries Claims) Settlement Act 1992
- Protected customary right or customary marine title as recognised under the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011

What is your existing interest and how may it be affected by this application?

Ownership of a coastal property, which could be affected by reductions of sand available for longshore drift.

If you would like to attach any supporting documents please do so below.

 File Attachment

Only ONE PDF or Word document with a maximum size limit of 15MB can be attached to this submission form. Please forward larger files or file types other than PDF or Word, or multiple documents directly to the EPA on a CD or DVD or USB stick.

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