



THE WEST COAST
REGIONAL COUNCIL

Submission on the Proposed Regional Coastal Plan 2016

Return your signed submission to the West Coast Regional Council by 5.00pm, Monday 21 March 2016

Submissions may be:

- Posted to: Proposed RPS, West Coast Regional Council, PO Box 66, Greymouth 7840
- Delivered direct to the West Coast Regional Council at 388 Main South Road, Greymouth
- Emailed to rcp@wrc.govt.nz
- Sent by facsimile (03) 768 7133

PART A: Submitters contact details

Public information - all information contained in a submission under the Resource Management Act 1991, including names and addresses for service, becomes public information. Your information is held and administered by the West Coast Regional 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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[The organisation that this submission is on behalf of, if applicable]

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PART B: Trade Competition

As per Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991, a person who could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission may make a submission only if directly affected by an effect of the proposed policy statement that:

- a) Adversely affects the environment
- b) Does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

Please tick the sentence that applies to you:

- I **could not** gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission; or
- I **could** gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission. *If you have ticked this box, please select one of the following:*
 - I **am** directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission.
 - I **am not** directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission.

Signature:

[Signature of person making submission, or authorised to sign on behalf of person making the submission]

Date:

21/3/2018

(A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means)

PART C: Request to be Heard

- I **do not** wish to be heard in support of my submission; or
- I **do** wish to be heard in support of my submission; and if so,
 - I would be prepared to consider presenting my submission in a joint case with others making a similar submission at any Hearing.

| <p>The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to are:</p> | <p>My submission is that: <i>(State concisely whether you support or oppose each separate provision being submitted on, or wish to have amendments made, and the reasons for your views)</i></p> | <p>I seek the following amendments from the West Coast Regional Council: <i>(Give precise details for each provision. The more specific you can be, the easier it will be for the Council to understand your concerns.)</i></p> |
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| | <p>see attached sheet</p> | |
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Attach further sheets as required

From: Arts CardMakers <mail@cardmakers.co.nz>
Subject:
Date: 19 March 2016 8:41:51 PM NZDT
To: Richard Herring <rherring38@gmail.com>

My name is Richard Herring I live at 158 Golf links road Hokitika.

I have lived
I live close to the south side spit at Hokitika, on the inland side of Mahinapua Creek. *for 40 years,*
to make

I would like a number of comments relating to the Proposed West Coast Regional Coastal Plan. Dated January 2016.

I am concerned with the erosion of the south side beach area.

The sand dunes opposite my house were breached by the sea six months ago by a storm, and since then we have been trying to discourage vehicles from using this area as a point of access to the beach. Due to the damage that was done to the the dunes in this area. (We have had some success with the use of signage and personal requests in stopping vehicle access in this area.) *but there are some who won't listen.*

This problem is NZ wide and there appears to be no will to address some of these issues. Vehicles should no longer be allowed on any foreshore area. (Unless for emergency reasons).
sensitive

The erosion is being caused by a number of factors.

-Global warming.

-Vehicles damaging the dunes when attempting to access the beach.

The importance of driftwood is greater than some people think
-Rule 16 - regarding the removal of driftwood, is routinely being breached. ie The removal of drift wood from too close to the sand dunes. *I would prefer driftwood to be left on the beach,*

some
~~Most~~ of the vehicle trips down to the south spit of the beach are for the purposes of removing fire wood.

most are just to prove they can get there
There is only a very narrow strip of beachfront in this area and Mahinapua creek runs parallel to the sea in this area. *now, along the spit of Mahinapua Creek, The North end of the south spit is eroding rapidly and threatening the white bait breeding area. ie Mahinapua Creek estuary.*

At this point Mahinapua creek is at sea level and a breach of the dunes will threaten the creek and 9 houses and change the direction of the mouth of the creek. The mouth of the creek has already been eroded back by approximately 500 metres and now runs directly into the sea, several hundred metres of the south spit road has been lost to the sea. This has made access to the beach more difficult and put more pressure on the dunes in this area.

I would like to see the South spit ~~road~~ temporarily closed to vehicles and become a walking track only, for a period of time to allow the dunes to recover. Many walkers use this area every day and closing the road for a period of time *should* not cause hardship to any users. *many of the walkers resent the 4 wheel drive uses and the noise of chainsaws.*

It would be useful under clause 4.3.1 c to have allowances made for closure to include erosion control measures. ie exceptional circumstances should include erosion and damage to the foreshore.

I don't expect anyone to put rockwork here due to cost and westland county have refused to maintain the road that is damaged.
In the new proposed district , page 85. The diagram showing the Mahinapua Creek mouth is totally out of date and needs to be updated. Over 66% of the land area shown on this map has been already taken by the sea.

Please excuse grammar, spelling,
and general condition of this page.
Im old, and almost illiterate.

Dick Herring