

Panel Overview Conference

Taharoa Ironsands Limited – Central and Southern Blocks Mining Project

16 April 2026



Taharoa Ironsands Ltd

Agenda

- History of the Mine
- Land ownership
- Site orientation
- Description of mining and export activities
- Overview of consenting history
- Scope of TIL's Fast-track application
- Approvals sought under FTAA
- Overview of technical assessments
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- Relevant legal tests
- Key technical issues
- Overview of regional consent, wildlife approval and archaeological authority conditions
- Other relevant matters

History of the Mine

- The Mine has been in operation for over 50 years
- Opened in 1972/3 by New Zealand Steel Mining Limited (originally owned by the NZ Government)
- Passed into private ownership
- Acquired by Taharoa Mining Investments Limited in 2017



Land ownership – Taharoa C Block

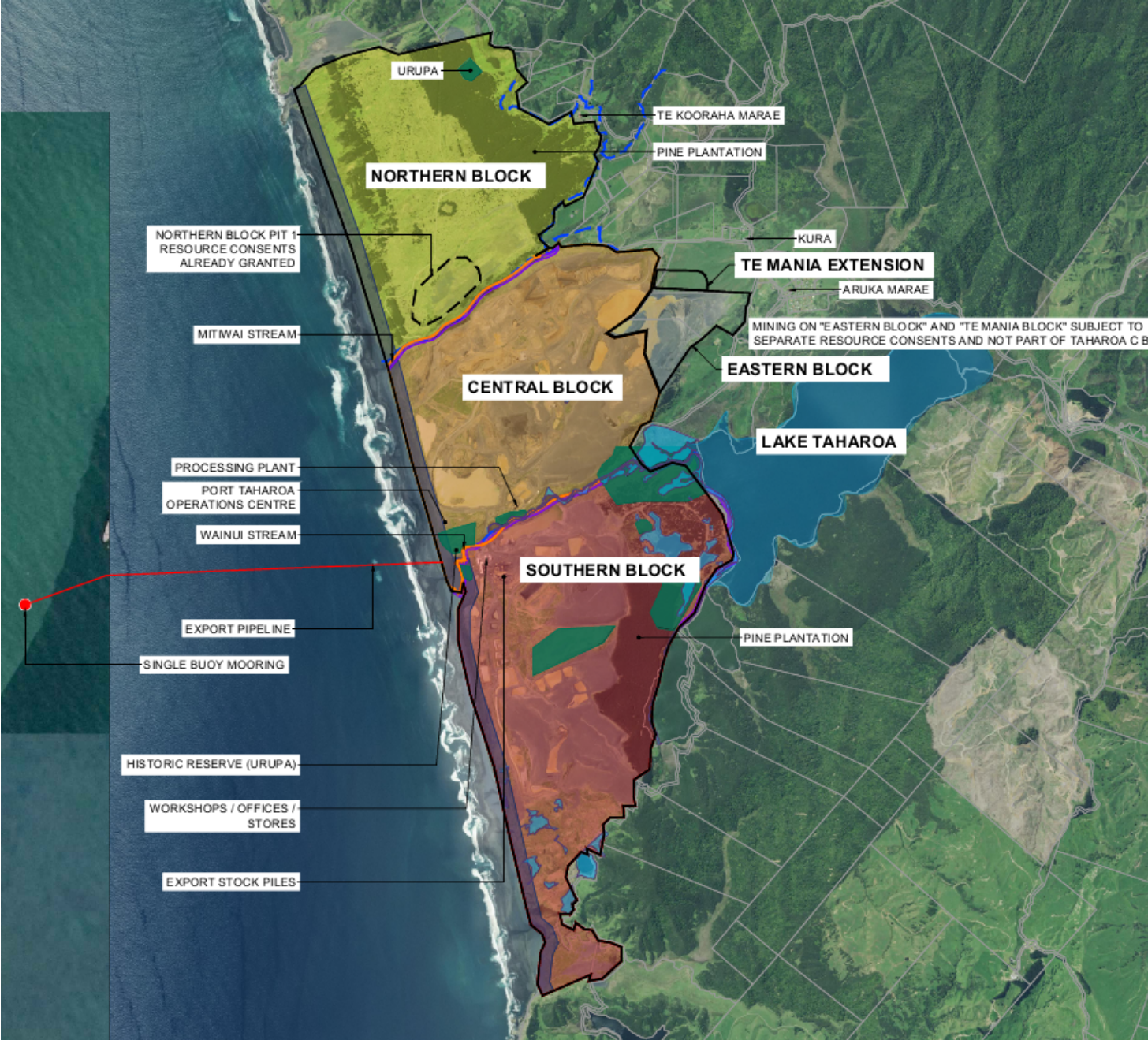
- Includes Northern, Central and Southern Blocks of the Mine
- Legally described as Taharoa C Block
- Māori freehold land, owned by The Proprietors of Taharoa C Block Incorporated – over 2,000 shareholders
- Taharoa C leases the land to TIL – the lease includes a royalty arrangement - current term expires 2062
- Taharoa C supports the application



Site Orientation – General location of the Mine and surrounds



Site Orientation – Central and Southern Blocks



- The Mine is divided into blocks:
 - Central and Southern Blocks
 - Northern Block (including Pit 1)
 - Te Mania Block
 - Eastern Block
- Ship-loading and export facilities in CMA are adjacent to the Southern Blocks

Mining and export activities

- Extraction of ironsand across the various blocks
- Processed on site to extract titanomagnetite
- Product exported directly to Asia using three dedicated ships, via Taharoa Port



Consenting history

- 2006 regional consents
- 2020 application for replacement consents
- Majority of approvals granted 22 November 2024
- TIL appealed to Environment Court
- Decision to apply for Fast-track application



Scope of the Fast-track application

Schedule 2 Project Description: Continue existing mineral sand extraction, including land preparation works, constructing a water supply reservoir, extracting ironsand material using dry and wet-mining techniques, processing extracted material, and transporting raw and processed material.

To continue existing mining and export facilities in Central and Southern Blocks and CMA

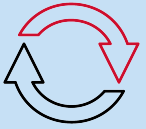
Facilities support mining activities on other blocks– Te Mania, Eastern and Northern

Approvals sought under the FTAA



Regional resource consents under the RMA

To continue ironsand mining activities in the Central and Southern Blocks for 35 years (15 consents)



No district land use consents sought

Existing use rights have been maintained (update on this at the end of the conference)



Wildlife Approval

To capture, temporarily hold and relocate and incidentally kill native lizards



Archaeological Authority

To authorise modification or destruction of recorded sites within the Project area and potentially any unrecorded sites

Overview of technical assessments

- Economics
- Hydrology and hydrogeology
- Ecology (freshwater and terrestrial)
- Archaeology
- Preliminary Site Investigation
- Coastal processes and marine ecology
- Geotechnical
- Air quality
- Noise
- Discharge to coastal marine area
- Marine mammals
- Planning



Other information provided

- Memorandum of counsel accompanying the substantive application
- Six draft management plans (Appendices T, U, X, DD, EE, and KK)
- Taharoa C approvals:
 - Landowner consent for Project to undertaken project on Māori land (Appendix D)
 - Landowner approval for archaeological authority (included in Appendix X – Archaeological Authority Application Bundle)
 - Landowner consent to resource consent applications (Appendix LL)
- A register of consultation (Appendix Y) and **summary of consultation feedback** (Appendix Z)
- The Panel's decision on the 2024 RMA Application (Appendix F)
- Table summarising **key issues** and how they are addressed in the application (Appendix G)
- **Evidence on cultural effects** from TIL's RMA application (Appendices II and JJ)
- A legal memorandum with an assessment on the existing environment (Appendix CC)

Relevant legal tests

- Set out in Memorandum of Counsel accompanying the application – dated 5 December 2025
- Version of the Act applicable to TIL's application
- Legal framework:
 - Section 81 FTAA
 - Clause 17, Schedule 5 FTAA (Resource Consents)
 - Clause 5, Schedule 7 FTAA (Wildlife Approval)
 - Clause 4, Schedule 8 FTAA (Archaeological Authority)

Key issues

- Key issues well known and tested extensively through RMA process and consultation
- Relate to consent conditions
- Appendix G – summary of TIL's position in respect of the issues and how they have been addressed





Regional consent conditions

- Based on conditions imposed by Independent Hearing Panel
- Changes to address:
 - issues raised during consultation
 - scope and workability issues
 - additional activities (harvest of forest and to destroy or disturb inland wetlands)
- Largely agreed between interested parties, including WRC
- Update on engagement with WRC

Wildlife Approval and Archaeological Authority conditions

- Status of draft conditions
- Update on engagement with DOC and HNZ regarding conditions

Other relevant matters

- Existing Use Rights assessment
- Site visit next Wednesday



Questions

