

Request for fast-track pre-lodgement consultation

Instructions:

- Complete this form to request pre-lodgement consultation on fast-track referrals or substantive applications as required by the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024
- Email the completed form to FastTrackApplicationEnquiries@doc.govt.nz
- DOC will recover the actual and reasonable costs incurred in consulting and assisting you before the application is lodged (whether or not the application is subsequently lodged).

Your name: Anne Brewster	Your role and company: Stevenson Mining Ltd COO
Phone number: s 9(2)(a)	Email: s 9(2)(a)
Fast-track applicant's name (Company Name and Trading Name (if different)) and project name: Stevenson Mining Ltd Te Kuha Coal Project	
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Provide details of the proposed activity: <p>The Te Kuha coal project is a proposed opencast coal mine near Westport. Stevenson Mining Ltd (SML) propose to mine an estimated 4 million tonnes of high-quality coking coal (Bituminous metallurgical coal) by opencut methods.</p> <p>The mine footprint is approximately 144ha, the coal would be carted on an off-road access road to a coal load out facility and then loaded onto the same coal trains that service Stockton, using the Midland train line.</p> <p>Of the mine footprint we are requiring 12ha of public conservation land classified as Stewardship land. This 12ha is the area we require an access arrangement for.</p>	
Provide details of the Treaty of Waitangi implications you are aware of: Nothing applicable	



<p>What is the location of the activity (include GPS and map if possible):</p> <p>The proposed Te Kuha mine is covered by the Mining Permit 41-289. This mining permit covers 884 hectares approximately 12 kilometres south-east of Westport at an elevation ranging from 600 to 800 metres above sea level.</p> <p>A map showing the mine permit area and mine footprint is attached.</p>	
<p>What conservation approvals do you think may be required for the activity?</p> <p>For our Te Kuha project we need two approvals, these are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorities provided under the Wildlife Act 1953 • Access arrangements under the Crown Minerals Act 1991 	
<p>What current interests are you aware of, over the land?</p> <p>None</p>	
<p>Is there any other additional information that may be relevant? (e.g. is the activity in a World Heritage Area? Has engagement with IWI occurred and what was the outcome?)</p> <p>The proposed mine is not in a World Heritage Area.</p> <p>We have engaged with Iwi (Ngati Waewae) for a number of years in regards to the proposed mine and they are very supportive of the project.</p> <p>Attached are letters of support from when we applied for Te Kuha to be included for Fast Track in 2024 and as a Shovel Ready project in 2020</p>	
<p>Date of potential activity:</p> <p>Mine construction would start as soon as the relevant approvals are granted. Te Kuha is a “ready to go” project.</p>	
<p>Official use</p>	
<p>Case Manager:</p>	<p>Date received:</p>