

**Submission on Proposed Timaru District Plan - He Po. He Ao. Ka Awatea.**

**Form 5 Submission on publically notified proposal for policy statement or plan, change or variation**

*Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991*

**To:** Timaru District Council - Planning Unit

**Date received:** 15/12/2022

**Submission Reference Number #:**52

This is a submission on the following proposed plan (the **proposal**): Proposed Timaru District Plan - He Po. He Ao. Ka Awatea.

**Submitter:**

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**I wish to be heard:** Yes

**I am willing to present a joint case:** Yes

Could you gain an advantage in trade competition in making this submission?

- **No**

Are you directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that

(a) adversely affects the environment; and

(b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition

- **No**

**Submission points**

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**Point 52.1**

**Section: Planning Maps****Sentiment:** Oppose**Submission:**

The submitter owns land at 2-8 Arowhenua St and 61 Bridge St, Arundel, in the Timaru District. The land is contained as part of Section 1-13 Block VII Tn of Arundel held in several titles over a circa 1.6191ha area.

The land has been zoned General Rural (GRUZ) in the Proposed Timaru District Plan Planning Maps.

It is requested the land at the address above be rezoned as a General Industrial Zone (GIZ).

This site currently operates and functions as a wood processing facility for woodchip production and ancillary transport and storage of the woodchip and ancillary wood/timber materials. There is a Resource Consent held by Timaru District Council for these activities.

The site has a long history of timber related activities being undertaken upon it. In 1946 the site commenced as a timber mill. Raw logs were brought to the site and processed into building timber and unrecoverable logs were processed into woodchip with the byproducts of sawdust and woodbark sold from the site. The site has continued to function as a wood processing facility to this day.

The request for the rezoning to General Industrial Zone is that the General Rural Zone does provide for "Rural Industry" by definition in the Proposed District Plan however whilst the facility is dependant on primary production the activity itself is more industrial in nature due to machinery required and nature of the activities undertaken on the site.

Some of the processed timber materials are provided to rural or farming activities i.e. for calf bedding or rearing sheds however a lot of the material is utilised for boiler units, landscape gardening and bases for revegetation which can include mulch blowing.

The period of time this site has operated as a timber processing facility (over 75 years), the hours of operation for the site and vehicle movements established and associated with this alongside other ancillary activity on the site align more so with a General Industrial Zone definition (which includes raw materials), intent and relevant objectives, policies and rules under the Proposed Timaru District Plan.

**Relief sought**

The relief sought is that the land contained within the above site be zoned General Industrial Zone (GIZ) on the planning maps.