

Hearing 8 – Bellingham Quarries

Submissions covered: S7.001, S7.002 S7.003, S7.004, S7.005, S7.006

Introduction – Experience and history

- Jarrod Bellingham Manager, 9+ years experience.
- David Bellingham Managing Director, 49+ years experience.
- Brian Bellingham Managing Director, 49+ years experience. (absent)
- Bellingham Quarries has been operating in the district since 1934
- 4 generations in Far North, 5 total in aggregate/extraction industry
- So, we have firsthand experience in FND resource deposits

Section 42a report

- Thanks to Lynette, for efforts in our industries' interests
- Support recommendations of Mineral Zone and Paragraph 99 (S7.002).

Response to recommendations of rejected submission:

- We realise that not enough information has been supplied in relation to matters of paragraph 103. and other related paragraphs.
- It is our aim today to justify under the criteria of para. 74. why our sites are significant and that the expansions should be recommended.

Presentation Outline

- Industry Background Information
 - Aggregate Demand
 - Deposit Scarcity
 - Benefit of Location
 - Expansion ≠ More Extraction
 - FNDC Study aggregate resources
- Submissions
 - Small local sites (satellites)
 - Larmer road Major site

Industry Background related to submissions

Demand

- FND/NZ uses aggregate for roading, building, fill, and protection (waterways)
- NZ quarry conference GNS science report per capita consumption, 17.6 tonnes per person per year. NZ average = 8.4t
- Consumption directly, but mostly by proxy (roads, wood)
- Population is projected to grow.

Resource Scarcity

- GNS science report 2021 covers constraining factors applying to aggregate resource and remaining areas of opportunity.
 - Geological constraints (where it is)
 - Viability to the market (distance/demand)
 - Land use types restricting extraction (urban, conservation, water bodies..)
 - Cultural sensitivity (heritage sites, visual impact.
 - The list goes on....
 - It does not allow for public apprehension to have quarries near them (consenting process).





Benefit of Location

- A constraint mentioned earlier is location in relation to market
- GNS report, and other industry professionals, (AQA).
- "the cost of aggregate doubles every 30km of travel"
- This is important in relation to our submissions for satellite sites, due to the cost reduction for FNDC and NZTA road building and maintenance.

More Expansion Is NOT More Extraction

- An expanding extraction area does not necessarily correlate with an increase of volume extracted.
- Physical limits on extracting legally and safely drive the need to expand the extraction area, as well as maintained demand. (MOQO 2016 regs, topography of site, general extraction process)
- Current PDP allows for NO continued extraction (expect 1-3 years all sites to exceed PDP boundaries)

FNDC Study suggests expanded MZ

- Aggregate Resources Study for FNDC stage 1 2015 , Barry Larsen, Murray Stevens.
- "Mineral zones around quarries are not as large as they might be. In order to protect the long term (20-50 years or more) security of supply, quarries may need to consider this issue" – page 16 Aggregate Resources Study for FNDC stage 1 2015.

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- S7.003 we are no longer pursuing; longevity of site is in question.
- S7.001, S7.004, S7.005 we believe are significant extraction sites and the expansion of the extraction area need to be allowed.
- These meet multiple of the criteria outlined in S42a (para. 74) report namely:
- a) relative scarcity \checkmark
- b) current or potential contribution to the regional economy from the extraction \checkmark
- c) current and potential demand, and location with respect to demand \checkmark
- d) constraints on extraction including existing or planned settlement access to the site \checkmark
- e) constraints on other development and land use as a result of extraction \checkmark
- f) quality and size of deposit X
- g) Average annual extraction rate of minerals (more than 50,000 tonnes per annum for aggregates) X
- h) Importance of infrastructure development </

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- a) relative scarcity
- b) current or potential contribution to the regional economy from the extraction ✓ discussed earlier (distance travelled saves outright and future costs)
- c) current and potential demand, and location with respect to demand √ discussed earlier (distance travelled saves outright and future costs), also local operators/owners.
- d) constraints on extraction including existing or planned settlement access to the site
- e) constraints on other development and land use as a result of extraction ✓ discussed earlier (outlined by GNS map constraints/listed constraints)
- f) quality and size of deposit X
- g) Average annual extraction rate of minerals (more than 50,000 tonnes per annum for aggregates) X
- h) Importance of infrastructure development ✓ discussed earlier (distance travelled saves outright and future costs to infrastructure).

Larmer road Submission S7.006

- a) relative scarcity
- b) current or potential contribution to the regional economy from the extraction ✓ discussed earlier (distance travelled saves outright and future costs)
- c) current and potential demand, and location with respect to demand ✓ discussed earlier (distance travelled saves outright and future costs), also local operators/owners.
- d) constraints on extraction including existing or planned settlement access to the site ✓ discussed earlier (outlined by GNS map constraints/listed constraints)
- e) constraints on other development and land use as a result of extraction ✓ discussed earlier (outlined by GNS map constraints/listed constraints)
- f) quality and size of deposit < Larmer road is an exspansive deposit meeting the most stringent of aggregate specifications.
- g) Average annual extraction rate of minerals (more than 50,000 tonnes per annum for aggregates) ✓
 average annual extraction meets this quantity thrice over.
- h) Importance of infrastructure development ✓ discussed earlier (distance travelled saves outright and future costs to infrastructure).

Larmer road Submission S7.006 continued

- Larmer road meets all the prescribed criteria.
- 377 Larmer road, is a significant extraction resource. Recognised as being 'large' by FNDC independent consultant study, Barry Larsen and murray stevens 2015.

Area missed in PDP

• FNDC consent number: 2170236-RMALUC has not been encompassed by the overlay/zone. A total of 32.197 hectares has been neglected and should be protected further with zoning.

APPROVED PLAN



Proposed district plan – Larmer road extraction overlay, missing area



Request for expanded area

- Primary future resource
- Further application processes/litigation creates unnecessary inefficiency/costs to aggregate user (primarily FNDC and NZTA)
- Greater expansion area does not mean greater volumes extracted, no greater risk for adverse effects.
- Identified by FNDC study and recommended to expand mineral zone protection to secure resource for the future.

Suggested extraction extension, Larmer road, significant natural area overlay included. - "expand to support the social and economic wellbeing of the district".

Public Land



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300m Public Land

109m

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Summary

- Mineral Zones and Hollands recommendation is supported
- GNS mapped data shows a stark view for the future of the resource, this means all sites are significant
- Future population growth, even more scarce
- Economic benefit to all especially FNDC
- FNDC study has states that quarry/mineral areas need to be expanded to secure the resource for the future.
- Larmer road is significant over very long term
- FNDC Mineral Zones are key for resource security & District social and economic well-being

References

• Download location for GNS Science report:

https://www.gns.cri.nz/data-and-resources/aggregate-opportunitymodelling-for-new-zealand/

- AQA Submission Far North District Council's Long-term Strategy April 2021
- Aggregate resources study for Far North District Council, Stage 1, Barry Larsen, Murray Stevens. 2015.
- Mineral Resource Assessment of the Northland Region of New Zealand, GNS Science report, May 2007.