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Subject: Link to my PhD thesis on quantitative methodology for measuring NZ coastal natural character

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Kia ora AK

Here is the link I was asked for at the Hearing on Monday afternoon. This link is the same as in my evidence (p8). I did a new search as I did when I wrote my evidence, as an earlier link no longer worked. This link is to my 2011 PhD (from Waikato University).

<https://researchcommons.waikato.ac.nz/items/278e261c-33db-43dd-a8a8-26affa636c7e>

The methodology actually used to map coastal natural character in the RPS for Northland can be found on the NRC website (link below). This includes the definitions used for high and outstanding natural character. (These differ somewhat from the definitions in the RPS, which were crafted later by the Council's planners to include certain low-intensity farming activities).

<https://www.nrc.govt.nz/media/en5buclz/naturalcharactermappingmethodology.pdf>

A peer-reviewed paper I wrote in 2010 (with supervisor guidance as co-authors) on defining natural character for the NZ context was published in the NZ Journal of Ecology. This is the direct link:

<https://newzealandecology.org/nzje/2934.pdf>

Please let me know if the FNDC PDP Hearings Panel has any further questions.

Ngā mihi

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