## Out of Scope

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**Attachments:** rare-earths.pdf

## Hi There,

I noticed in the critical minerals list table on page 3 has New Zealand note as a current producer of REE. Some REE's may be present in our mineral sand deposits but REEs are not refined or produced in NZ, the product produced is mineral sand not REEs.

"There is no recorded New Zealand production of REE minerals for sale. Large ilmenite beach sand deposits near Westport, and at Barrytown north of Greymouth, contain minor amounts of monazite which could be recovered as a by-product of proposed ilmenite and gold production" (Mineral Commodity Report 17 - Rare Earths and Related Elements, T. Christie, B. Brathwaite and A. Tulloch) Attached.

This paper may be out of date and I may have missed something but it is something that stuck out and thought worth mentioning to look into further.

## Thanks,

