

Before an Expert Consenting Panel

Under the

Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

And

In the Matter of

an application for approvals by
Matakanui Gold Limited to establish,
operate, rehabilitate and ultimately
close an open pit and underground
gold mining operation known as the
Bendigo-Ophir Gold Project

Memorandum of Counsel on behalf of Matakanui Gold Limited

Dated: 22 July 2026

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1. This Memorandum of Counsel is filed on behalf of Matakanui Gold Limited (**Matakanui Gold**) to provide Matakanui Gold's response to the following aspects of Request for Information 11 (**RFI 11**):
 - (a) Bonding and Long-Term Management: questions 12 – 16.
 - (b) Economics: questions 23 – 30.
2. Due to the suspension of processing the due date for the RFI 11 response has not yet been reached. However, Matakanui Gold intends to submit responses progressively as they are completed, enabling the Expert Panel and parties to have access to the information as soon as practicable for workshopping and consideration as part of the Panel's deliberations.
3. The bonding and economics responses to RFI 11 include commercially confidential information.
4. Given the commercially confidential nature of the responses, both a redacted and an unredacted version have been filed. Counsel respectfully requests that only the redacted version be uploaded to the Fast-track website.

Dated 22 July 2026



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