

Technical Advice: Landscape Architecture by James Bentley

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To	Ellie Watson, Environmental Manager – South Island Renewables, Genesis Energy
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Project advice provided for	Tekapo Power Scheme – Applications for Replacement Resource Consents
Documents referred to	Boffa Miskell Limited 2023. Tekapo Power Scheme Reconsenting: Natural Character, Landscape and Visual Amenity Effects Assessment. Boffa Miskell Limited 2023. Lake Tekapo Hydro Reconsenting: Landscape and Visual Amenity Graphic Supplement. Other documents referred to: Te Tangi a te Manu: Aotearoa New Zealand Landscape Assessment Guidelines, Tuia Pito Ora New Zealand Institute of Landscape Architects, July 2022. Environment Canterbury, July 2018. Natural Character Assessment Guidelines for Braided Rivers, Report No. R18/35 Boffa Miskell Limited 2010. Canterbury Regional Landscape Study Review. Prepared for Environment Canterbury Rob Greenaway & Associates; 2023 Genesis Energy Tekapo Hydro Scheme Reconsenting: Recreation Review, Single, M (November 2022) Tekapo Power Scheme re-consenting: Lakeshore geomorphology and processes. Existing environment and future effects. Decision No. [2011] NZEnvC387 High Country Rosehips et al v Mackenzie District Council (Plan Change 13), para 99. 2007, Densem. The MacKenzie Basin Landscape: Character and Capacities, prepared for Mackenzie District Council
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Code of Conduct	As an expert witness I have read, and I am familiar with, the Code of Conduct for expert witnesses contained in the Environment Court Practice Note 2023. This memorandum has been prepared in compliance with that Code. In particular, unless I state otherwise, this response is within my area of expertise and I have not omitted to consider material facts known to me that might alter or detract from the opinions I express.
Signature	Confirming that I was a principal author of the 2023 Boffa Miskell Natural Character, Landscape and Visual Amenity Effects Assessment (and supporting Graphic Supplement) and that I stand by the assessment and conclusions reached.  James Bentley Associate Partner Landscape Architect Boffa Miskell 27 August 2025