## Your Comment on the Waihi North application

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Thank you for your comments

Waihi 3681

20/08/2025

REF: FTAA: 2504-1046

In the matter of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 Section 53(d)

Dear Panel Members,

I have received your invitation to comment on the proposed Waihi North project application by Oceana Gold (New Zealand) Limited.

- I confirm I am the registered proprietor of land adjacent to the existing Tailings Surface
   Facility (TSF1A) and the proposed TSF3. Please refer to attached plan # T20250820B for the
   detail. The property address is listed correctly as
   in Appendix A Minute 1
   of the Expert Panel. The property is part of the 'milking platform' for the dairy farm east of
   Trig Road North with an underpass for efficient cattle and light vehicle access.
- 2. My concerns about loss of sunlight to the dairy farming operation have caused me to make submissions on mining construction proposals, owing to the pit expansion in 1999, when detailed plans for construction of TSF1A (R.L.166) were approved. I submitted a resource consent application to HDC, with an archeological report, for the removal for construction purposes of the rocky knob on LOT 3. The consent was granted and half the height of the knob was removed and used as NAF material for the South Perimeter Road on the adjacent Gold Company land. This reduction in knob height did allow some more hours of sunlight (less shading) for grass growth on Lots 2 & 3.
- 3. In 2010, the Gold Company sought consent to raise the crest of TSF1A from R.L. 166 to R.L 177.25. The Gold Company's visual effects assessment confirmed significant shading particularly during winter when the sun sets north-west of Lots 2 & 3. My submissions on the crest raise resulted in fifteen pages of an easement agreement signed in 2011, to allow me to take water from the nearby S4 Collection Pond to irrigate and increase(?) pasture growth during the summer to compensate for the shading during the winter. This agreement assumes the water would only be suitable for irrigation when construction at TSF1A ceased and S4 was no longer used as a Collection Pond. Given the site's typical ample summer rainfall, the easement is a poor solution to the loss of winter sunshine hours.
- 4. Since 2011 the design crest height of TSF1A has increased from R.L. 177.25 to R.L. 182 and if approved, the construction of TSF3 may go on until the year 2040. I expect to die before the year 2040. The adjacent dairy farm to the north-east of my property is now owned by OCEANA GOLD (NEW ZEALAND) LIMITED. To facilitate the forecast construction of TSF3, significant legal boundary adjustments are proposed.
- 5. I suggest the easement agreement be scrapped in favour of a boundary adjustment.
- I suggest that LOT 3 DPS77584 (3.6540 Ha) be amalgamated with the land used for construction of TSF3 and that 3.4650 Ha of Section 47 be amalgamated with Lot2 DPS77584.
- 7. On Lot 3 DPS77584 is a substantial resource of NAF material (90,000 m3) suitable for the foundation construction of TSF3.
- 8. On Section 47 are 3.4650 Ha of pasture that receives more winter sunlight owing to the paddocks being further east from the finished crest height of TSF1A to the west.

From Bruce Morrison

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