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WDC COMPLETENESS CHECK FTAA-2608-1288

SECTION 46 OF THE FAST TRACK APPROVALS ACT 2025.

Project Name: Oceana Gold Macraes MP4

Applicant : Oceana Gold (NZ) Ltd

On 10 September 2026, Waitaki District Council (WDC) received a request from the EPA seeking its views whether the application FTAA 2608-1288 meets the requirements of sections 42 and 43 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act) and whether the information is in sufficient detail to satisfy Section 44 of the Act.

The purpose of this document is to provide advice to assist the EPA in making its decision whether the application FTAA 2608-1288 complies with the requirements of section 46 of the Act.

A check of the Fast Track Schedule 5 requirements has been done to inform this advice, and is attached as Appendix A. It is emphasised that this check does not confirm the accuracy or robustness of the information in the application.

In summary, WDC advises that, in terms of the relevant WDC matters, the application generally meets all of requirements set out in sections 42-44 of the Act and can be deemed as complete under section 46 of the Act.



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Waitaki District Council Consideration of Completeness Check – Fast Track Act, Oceana Gold MP4

Checklist – s43 Assessment relevant to local authority resource consent, change to or cancellation of a resource consent			
FTAA Schedule 5 Clause	Information required for an approval Described in section 42(4)(a) and/or section 42(4)(b) Clauses 5-8 of Schedule 5	Application Reference (e.g. Name of document, section and page)	Council comments on completeness or applicability
5(1)(a)	A description of the proposed activity	A.06 Project Description	Complete
5(1)(b)	A description and map of the site at which the activity is to occur, including whether the site is within or adjacent to— (i) a statutory area (as defined in the relevant Treaty settlement Act); or (ii) ngā rohe moana o ngā hapū o Ngāti Porou (as defined in section 11 of the Ngā Rohe Moana o Ngā Hapū o Ngāti Porou Act 2019); or (iii) a protected customary rights area under the Marine and	E.02, E03 Maps	Complete

	Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011		
5(1)(c)	Confirmation that the consent application complies with section 46(2)(a), (b), and (d); being: • section 42; and • sections 43 and 44; and • relates solely to a listed project or a referred project; and • any fee, charge, or levy payable under regulations in respect of the application is paid. Guidance note: Section 46 provides for the EPA to decide whether the substantive application is complete and within scope. The EPA will need to be satisfied that the application complies with these requirements. These matters are addressed throughout the	A.01 Legal submission	Defer to EPA

	substantive application form and relevant checklist.		
5(1)(d) and 5(6)	The full name and address of— i each owner of the site and of land adjacent to the site; and ii each occupier of the site and of land adjacent to the site whom the applicant is unable to identify after reasonable inquiry;	J.01 Landowner details and records of title	Complete
5(1)(e)	A description of any other activities that are part of the proposal to which the consent application relates	A.07 Approvals sought	Complete
5(1)(g)	An assessment of the activity against sections 5, 6 and 7 of the Resource Management Act 1991	A.12 Statutory Assessment	Complete

5(1)(h) (and also clauses 5(2) and 5(3))	An assessment of the activity against any relevant provisions in any of the following documents: • a national environmental standard: • other regulations made under the Resource Management Act 1991: • a national policy statement: • a New Zealand coastal policy statement: • a regional policy statement or proposed regional policy statement: • a plan or proposed plan: • a planning document recognised by a relevant iwi authority and lodged with a local authority. This assessment must include an assessment of the activity against the requirements set out	A.12 Statutory Assessment	Complete
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	in clause 5(3) of Schedule 5 being:		
5(1)(i)	Information about any Treaty settlements that apply in the area covered by the consent application, including— - i identification of the relevant provisions in those Treaty settlements; and - ii a summary of any redress provided by those settlements that affects natural and physical resources relevant to the project or project area	B.04 Cultural Impact Assessment (from RMA application 2025)	Complete A new cultural Impact Assessment will likely be produced
5(1)(j)	A list of any relevant customary marine title groups, protected customary rights groups, ngā hapū o Ngāti Porou (where an application is within, adjacent to or directly affecting ngā rohe	N/A	

	moana o ngā hapū o Ngāti Porou), or applicants under the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011		
5(1)(k)	The conditions that the applicant proposes for the resource consent.	D.01 Index D.02 Common conditions for all Councils D.03 District Council Conditions D.05 Figures & Tables for conditions	Complete Comment : Conditions have not been reviewed in detail and are linked to Management Plans which also have not been reviewed in detail.
5(4)(a)	An assessment of the activity's effects on the environment that includes the information required by clause 6. Guidance note: See rows below for requirements in clause 6.	A.09 AEE Technical reports B.01 to B.51	Complete
5(4)(b)	An assessment of the activity's effects on the environment that covers the matters specified in clause 7. Guidance note: See rows below for requirements in clause 7.	A.09 AEE & B series technical reports	Complete

5(5)(a)	If a permitted activity is part of the proposal to which the consent application relates, a description that demonstrates that the activity complies with the requirements, conditions, and permissions for the permitted activity (so that a resource consent is not required for that activity under section 87A(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991)		Complete
5(5)(b)	If the activity is to occur in an area that is within the scope of a planning document prepared by a customary marine title group under section 85 of the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011 or the environmental covenant prepared by ngā hapū o Ngāti Porou under section 19 of the Ngā Rohe Moana o Ngā Hapū o Ngāti Porou Act 2019, an assessment of the activity against any resource	N/A	

	management matters set out in that document		
5(5)(c)	If the activity is to occur in an area that is taiāpure-local fishery, a mātaimai reserve, or an area that is subject to bylaws made under Part 9 of the Fisheries Act 1996, an assessment of the effects of the activity on the use or management of the area	N/A	
6(1)(a)	an assessment of the actual or potential effects on the environment	A.09 Assessment of Effects and technical reports B.01 to B.51	Complete
6(1)(b)	if the activity includes the use of hazardous installations, an assessment of any risks to the environment that are likely to arise from such us	A.09 as above and B47 Hazardous Substance Assessment	Complete
6(1)(c)	if the activity includes the discharge of any contaminant	B.44 PSI contaminated sites B. 45 DSI contaminated sites	Complete. Resource Management National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect

			Human Health Regulations 2011 only for WDC ORC Jurisdiction other contaminants
6(1)(d)	a description of the mitigation measures (including safeguards and contingency plans where relevant) to be undertaken to help prevent or reduce the actual or potential effect of the activity	A.09 AEE & B series technical reports & C series Management Plans & D series conditions	Complete
6(1)(e)	identification of persons who may be affected by the activity:	Part J Land ownership reports A.08 Consultation	Complete
6(1)(f)	if iwi or hapū elect not to respond when consulted on the proposal, any reasons that they have specified for that decision:	N/A	
6(1)(g)	if the scale and significance of the activity's effects are such that monitoring is required, a description of how the effects will be monitored and by whom, if the activity is approved:	Conditions in D01 to D05 AEE A.09	Complete Monitoring is included in the Management Plans and conditions which have not been reviewed in the timeframe provided.
	an assessment of any effects of the activity on the exercise of a protected customary right.	N/A	

7(a)	any effect on the people in the neighbourhood and, if relevant, the wider community, including any social, economic, or cultural effects:	B.03 Social Effects B.38 Noise Effects B.39 Blasting, Vibration & Airblast B.41 Lighting Effects	Complete
7(b)	any physical effect on the locality, including landscape and visual effects:	B.29 Landscape Effects B.29A Graphic supplement to B29 B.29B Visual simulations	Complete
7(c)	any effect on ecosystems, including effects on plants or animals and physical disturbance of habitats in the vicinity:	A.09 AEE (summary) B.16 Ecology Summary B.17 Terrestrial & Wetland Ecology B.18 Invertebrates B.19 Lizards B.20 Avifauna B.21 Bats B.22 Residual Effects Terrestrial B.23 Residual Effects Wetlands B, 24 Ecology Impact Assessment B.28 Vegetation & Wetlands	Complete
7(d)	any effect on natural and physical resources that have aesthetic, recreational, scientific, historical, spiritual, or cultural value, or other special value, for present or future generations:	B.01 Economic Effects B.03 Social Impact B42.1 & B43.2 Heritage Assessments B4.3.1- B43.3 Archaeological Assessments B29.B Visual simulations	Complete

7(e)	any discharge of contaminants into the environment and options for the treatment and disposal of contaminants:	N/A	ORC Jurisdiction
7(f)	any unreasonable emission of noise:	B.38 Noise Assessment	Complete
7(g)	any risk to the neighbourhood, the wider community, or the environment through natural hazards or hazardous installations.	B47 Hazardous Substances Report B.44 & B.45 Preliminary & Detailed Site Investigation under the Resource Management National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health Regulations 2011	Complete
13(4)(a)	a description of the project and the activities it involves	A.06	Complete
13(4)(c)	information to demonstrate that the project does not involve any ineligible activities (other than activities that may be the subject of a determination under section 23 or 24)	A.01 Legal Submission A.07 Approvals Sought	Complete
13(4)(d)	a description or map of the whole project area that identifies its boundaries in sufficient detail to enable consideration of the referral application	E.01 Project Area maps E.02 Overview E.03 Consent Area Maps E.04 Project Area & Allotments	Complete

13(4)(e)	the anticipated commencement and completion dates for construction activities (where relevant)	A.06 Project Description	Complete
13(4)(f)(i)	a statement of whether the project is planned to proceed in stages and, if so an outline of the nature and timing of the stages	A.06 Project Description	Complete
13(4)(h)	a description of the anticipated and known adverse effects of the project on the environment	A.09 Assessment of Effects & technical reports series B	Complete
13(4)(i)	a statement of any activities involved in the project that are prohibited activities under the Resource Management Act 1991	A.01 Legal Submissions A.07 Approvals sought	Complete
13(4)(j)	a list of the persons and groups the applicant considers are likely to be affected by the project, including— i relevant local authorities ii iwi authorities and groups that represent hapū that are parties to relevant Mana Whakahono ā Rohe or joint management agreements iii other relevant iwi authorities iv relevant Treaty settlement entities	A.08 Consultation	Complete

13(4)(k)	a summary of i the consultation undertaken for the purposes of section 29 and any other consultation undertaken on the project with the persons and groups referred to in paragraph (j); and ii how the consultation has informed the project	A.08 Consultation	Complete
13(4)(l)	a list of any Treaty settlements that apply to the project area, and a summary of the relevant principles and provisions in those settlements	A.06 Project Description A.09 AEE B.04 Cultural impact Report (done for the RMA MP4 application)	Complete
13(4)(m)	a description of any processes already undertaken under the Public Works Act 1981 in relation to the project	N/A	

13(4)(n)	a statement of any relevant principles or provisions in the Ngā Rohe Moana o Ngā Hapū o Ngāti Porou Act 2019	N/A
13(4)(o)	information identifying the parcels of Māori land, marae, and identified wāhi tapu within the project area	N/A
13(4)(p)	a statement of whether the applicant is seeking a determination under section 23 and, if so, an assessment of the effects of the activity on the relevant land and on the rights and interests of Māori in that land	N/A
13(4)(q)	a statement of whether the applicant is seeking a determination under section 24(2) and, if so, a description of i the scale and adverse effects of the existing electricity infrastructure; and ii (ii) how, if at all, that scale or those adverse effects are anticipated or known to change as a result of the maintenance,	N/A

	upgrading, or continued operation of the infrastructure	
13(4)(r)	a statement of whether the applicant is seeking a determination under section 24(4) and, if so, i a description of every alternative site considered by the applicant (or, if the referral application is lodged by more than 1 person, any of those persons) for the construction and operation of the new electricity lines (the activity); and ii for each alternative site considered: (A) a statement of the anticipated and known financial cost of undertaking the activity; and (B) a description of the anticipated and known adverse effects of undertaking the activity; and (C) a description of the anticipated and known financial cost and practicality of available measures to avoid, remedy, mitigate, offset, or compensate	N/A

	for the anticipated and known adverse effects of the activity; and (D) a description of any issues (including financial cost) that would make it impractical to undertake the activity on the site; and (E) an assessment of whether it would be reasonable and practical to undertake the activity on the site, taking into account the matters referred to in subparagraphs (A) to (D) and any other relevant matters		
13(4)(s)	a description of the applicant's legal interest (if any), or if the application is lodged by more than 1 person, the legal interest of any of those persons) (if any), in the land on which the project will occur, including a statement of how that affects the applicant's ability to undertake the work	A.06 Project Description E.04 Land ownership	Complete
13(4)(t)	an outline of the types of consents, certificates, designations, concessions, and	A.12 – Statutory Assessment	Complete

	other legal authorisations (other than contractual authorisations or the proposed approvals) that the applicant considers are needed to authorise the project, including any that the applicant considers may be needed by someone other than the applicant		
13(4)(u)	whether any activities that are involved in the project, or are substantially the same as those involved in the project, have been the subject of an application or a decision under a specified Act and, i if an application has been made, details of the application ii if a decision has been made, the outcome of the decision and the reasons for it	This is a brownfields project and there are numerous RMA consents for the existing mine, for WDC, DCC and ORC	Complete

13(4)(v)	a description of whether and how the project would be affected by climate change and natural hazards	B.01 (6) Economic Assessment	Complete
13(4)(w)	if the application is lodged by more than 1 person, a statement of the proposed approval to be held by each of those persons	N/A	There is one party applying for the approval.
13(4)(x)	a summary of compliance or enforcement actions (if any), and the outcome of those actions, taken against the applicant (or if the	A.11 pg 501 Fast Track Act Requirements	Complete
13(4)(y)(i), clause 2 of Schdedule 5	whether, to the best of the applicant's knowledge, there are any existing resource consents of the kind referred to in section 30(3)(a). [competing applications]	No existing resource consents	Complete - There are no existing resource consents of the kind referred to in section 30(3)(a).
13(4)(y)(ii), clause 3 of Schedule 5	Change or cancellation of resource consent condition The information to be provided under section 13(4)(y)(ii) is information about whether and	Complete. The application identifies consents that will be surrendered, or that will need changes to conditions, but such changes are not proposed in this application for WDC existing Consents	

	how the change or cancellation of the condition is material to the implementation or delivery of the project.	
13(4)(y)(iii), clause 4 of Schedule 5	Certificate of compliance The information required to be provided under section 13(4)(y)(iii) is information that shows the activity that the certificate of compliance is intended to cover can be done lawfully in the particular location	N/A