

OCEANAGOLD (NEW ZEALAND)
LIMITED

MACRAES PHASE FOUR (MP4)

MACRAES ROAD REALIGNMENT

Evidence of **Graham McIlroy**
Regarding Macraes Road Realignment
and Proposed Conditions

7 September 2026

INTRODUCTION

1. My name is Graham McIlroy.
2. My role in relation to Macraes Phase 4 (“**MP4**”) has been to provide expert advice in relation to the Macraes Road Realignment. I oversaw the preparation of the Stage 1 and Stage 2 Macraes Road Design reports (“**the Reports**”) which is provided within *Part B – Technical Reports* of the application. I adopt the findings and recommendations as my own.
3. This evidence has been prepared to accompany the Report and the application by Oceana Gold (New Zealand) Limited (“**OGNZL**”) for approvals required for MP4 under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (“**FTAA**”).
4. Section 4.1(h) of the FTAA Panel Conveners’ Practice and Procedure note (July 2025) says all technical experts authoring reports should include a statement regarding compliance with the Code of Conduct for Expert Witnesses. This evidence has been prepared to fulfil this requirement, and if a hearing is not held, this evidence confirms that, relative to my area of expertise the Report provides an appropriate description of the relevant environment, the proposed activities comprising the effects of the MP4 on that environment, and the way those effects are proposed to be managed.
5. My findings and recommendations for the road designs are set out in full in the Stage 1 and Stage 2 Macraes Road Design reports included within *Part B – Technical Reports* of the application.
6. While this application is not being considered by the Environment Court, I confirm that I have read the Code of Conduct for expert witnesses contained in the Environment Court of New Zealand Practice Note 2023 and that I have complied with it when preparing the Report. Other than when I state I am relying on the advice of another person, the Report is within my area of expertise. I have not omitted to consider material facts known to me that might alter or detract from the opinions that I express.

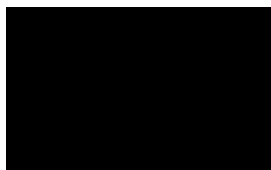
QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

7. Bachelor of Civil Engineering (1st class honours).
8. I am currently employed as Director and have held that position since 2022.
9. My previous work experience includes 38 years of civil infrastructure design, project management and Engineer to Contract services.

10. In providing this evidence, I have considered the following matters as relevant to that topic:
- (a) The project description provided by OGNZL as set out in Section 6 of the Substantive Application prepared by Mitchell Daysh Limited;
 - (b) The description of the existing roading network;
 - (c) The technical assessments of Stantec Transport Assessment

CONFIRMATION OF CONTENTS OF REPORT AND PROPOSED CONDITIONS

11. The Reports are preliminary road designs for Stages 1 and 2 of the Macraes Road Realignments and a more detailed design will be undertaken once approvals are granted.
12. I confirm that in my opinion the contents of the Report may be relied on in making a decision on the suitability of the stage 1 and 2 realignments, and to the extent that the Reports consider potential traffic effects I confirm that if they are managed as proposed in the application those effects will not be unacceptable and will be managed to a standard that I consider meets good practice.
13. I confirm that I have reviewed the conditions that OGNZL proposes for the various approvals being sought as they relate to my area of expertise. I confirm that in my opinion those proposed conditions are appropriate.



Graham McIlroy

Dated 7 September 2026