

Otago Regional Council  
Proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement 2021  
(excluding parts determined to be a freshwater planning instrument)

**MINUTE AND DIRECTIONS OF HEARING COMMISSIONERS**

**on preparation for hearing of submissions**

**[Minute 2]**

**BACKGROUND**

- 1 In our Minute 1, dated 3 October 2022, we set out time limits for the procedural steps in preparation for the hearing. These steps focussed on the provision of reports and evidence to be considered by us during the hearing.
- 2 On 17 October 2022 OceanaGold (New Zealand) Limited filed a Memorandum seeking a direction that the evidence timetable be extended. The reason advanced for this extension is that the Otago Regional Council was late in filing its supplementary evidence. The full OGNZL Memorandum is available on the ORC website
- 3 The requested amended timetable is as follows:
  - a. ORC's supplementary evidence on NPS- HPL available on ORC website Friday 21 October 2022
  - b. All evidence in chief including expert evidence received by ORC by Wednesday 23 November 2022
  - c. Evidence in chief available on ORC website by Wednesday 30 November 2022
  - d. Any Rebuttal evidence received by ORC by Wednesday 14 December 2022
  - e. Rebuttal evidence available on ORC website by the end of Monday 19 December 2022

**DIRECTION**

- 4 Before we amend our timetable directions set out in Minute 1, we invite feedback from the parties. Any feedback is to be received before **5.00pm on Wednesday 26 October 2022** and should be sent to [hearingsadministrator@orc.govt.nz](mailto:hearingsadministrator@orc.govt.nz)

- 5            We regret the need for the short turn-around time for responses, but we are conscious that the present timetable remains in force until we amend it, should we be minded to do so, in response to this request and any feedback we might receive on the proposal.

Ron Crosby for and on behalf of the Panel

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21 October 2022