



## **THE ENVIRONMENT COURT OF NEW ZEALAND**

### **NOTICE OF MEDIATION**

The parties to these proceedings in the attached schedule have been directed to attend court-assisted mediation. The prerogative for setting a date for the mediation lies solely with the Registrar and is made first and foremost in terms of the availability of an Environment Commissioner. Accordingly this matter has been set down for mediation at the date, time and at the venue specified below:

**DATE:** Tuesday, 28 April 2026;  
Wednesday 29 April and  
Thursday 30 April 2026 (if required).

**TIME:** 10:00 AM on Tuesday 28 April 2026

**VENUE:** Conference. Room 1,  
Copthorne Hotel and Resort  
27 Frankton Road  
Queenstown  
Ph: (03) 4428123

#### **Note To Participants:**

Participation in the mediation process is mandatory, and each party must participate in person or by a representative unless leave is granted by the Court not to attend. Any application for leave to be excused **must be made in writing** to the Registrar, giving reasons and be served upon all other participants to the proceedings.

The Court has released a Practice Note on Alternative Dispute Resolution, which may assist parties in the protocols around the Mediation Process. A copy of this Practice Note can be obtained through this Environment Court Registry.

Information on the Environment Court and the Court's Practice Notes which serve as a guide, are available at [www.justice.govt.nz/courts/environment-court](http://www.justice.govt.nz/courts/environment-court).

If any party has special needs (for example in relation to disability and access, deafness), they are to advise the Court in writing of this not later than 10 working days from the date of the mediation so that appropriate arrangements can be considered.

<https://www.justice.govt.nz/courts/going-to-court/pre/interpreters-language-and-disability-access/>

Should any party wish to contact the Mediator either before or after the mediation, then all contact should be through the Court's Registry.

#### **MEDIATION DIRECTIONS.**

Commissioners Mabin and Wilkinson make the following directions.

#### **Background Material**

The Queenstown Lakes District Council's (QLDC, the Applicant) applications for resource consents to discharge treated wastewater from their Queenstown wastewater treatment facility to the Shotover River can be viewed at the Otago Regional Council's (ORC, the Council) website at [Shotover Wastewater Treatment Plant](#). Application documents may be viewed there including the Applicant's proposed consent conditions. However, parties note that some details of the applications could have changed since being published on the website, particularly the proposed consent conditions.



## Position Statements

Parties' position statements are to be filed and served prior to the mediation. Particular attention should be given to the latest version of the Applicant's proposed conditions of consent. Do these conditions adequately address parties' concerns and are they clear, certain and enforceable? Could new or revised conditions address parties' concerns?

Position statements are without prejudice and confidential. They must not be shared with any person who is not a party to the mediation.

## Timetable for Mediation Position Statements

Event	Date
QLDC to file and serve position statement and updated conditions of consent as a Microsoft Word document	Friday 20 <sup>h</sup> March 2026
ORC to file and serve position statement	Friday 27 March 2026
s274 parties to file and serve position statements	Tuesday 14 April 2026
QLDC to file and serve a summary table of parties' position statements including their responses to the areas of concern, outcomes sought and proposed revised or new consent conditions.	Tuesday 21 April 2026
QLDC to file and serve a proposed mediation agenda	Tuesday 21 April 2026

## Mediation Agenda

Parties should consider QLDC's proposed mediation agenda to ensure that their issues and concerns will be discussed.

An agenda for the mediation will be confirmed between the parties and the commissioners at the start of the mediation.

QLDC's summary position statement table may form the basis of the mediation agenda.

## Mediation Outcome

QLDC will arrange for a scribe to attend and record the outcome of the mediation.

Dated at Wellington Environment Court Registry on 09 March 2026

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## SCHEDULE OF PROCEEDINGS

1. **Topic**

**Direct Referral for resource consent applications for the  
Shotover Wastewater Treatment Plant**
  
- i. **Queenstown Lakes District Council**

Direct Referral From Consent Authority Of Resource Consent Application pursuant to Section  
87 of the Resource Management Act 1991  
Court Reference: **ENV-2025-CHC-000137**

# LIST OF PARTIES - EMAIL

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