

**Submission Form 16 to the Otago Regional Council on consent applications**

This is a Submission on (a) limited notified/publicly notified resource consent application/s pursuant to the Resource Management Act 1991.

**Submitter Details:**

*(please print clearly)*

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I/ we wish/ to **OPPOSE** / submission on (circle one) the application of:

Applicant's Name: Cold Gold Clutha Ltd

And/or Organisation:

Application Number: RM22.434

Location: Clutha/ Mata-au

Purpose: For the operation of a suction dredge and construction of a slipway

The specific parts of the application/s that my submission relates to are: *(Give details)*

Effects on Aquatic Ecosystems

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My/Our submission is *(include: whether you support or oppose the application or specific parts of it, whether you are neutral regarding the application or specific parts of it and the reasons for your views)*.

We oppose the application.

Submission attached on separate page

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I/We seek the following decision from the consent authority (*give precise details, including the general nature of any conditions sought*)

We seek the application be refused in its entirety by Otago Regional Council

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I/we:

Wish to be heard in support of our/my submission

If others make a similar submission, I/we will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.

Yes

I, **am not** (choose one) a trade competitor\* of the applicant (for the purposes of Section 308B of the Resource Management Act 1991).

*\*If trade competitor chosen, please complete the next statement, otherwise leave blank.*

I, **am** (choose one) directly affected by an effect as a result of the proposed activity in the application that:

- a) adversely affects the environment; and
- b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

I, **/do not** (choose one) wish to be involved in any pre-hearing meeting that may be held for this application.

I **do/** request\* that the local authority delegates its functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to 1 or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority.

I **have/served** a copy of my submission on the applicant.

27/6/2023

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**Signature/s of submitter/s**

*(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter/s)*

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(Date)

### **Notes to the submitter**

If you are making a submission to the Environmental Protection Authority, you should use [form 16B](#).

The closing date for serving submissions on the consent authority is the 20th working day after the date on which public or limited notification is given. If the application is subject to limited notification, the consent authority may adopt an earlier closing date for submissions once the consent authority receives responses from all affected persons.

You must serve a copy of your submission on the applicant as soon as is reasonably practicable after you have served your submission on the consent authority.

**Privacy:** Please note that submissions are public. Your name and submission will be included in papers that are available to the media and the public, including publication on the Council website. Your submission will only be used for the purpose of the notified resource consent process

If you are a trade competitor, your right to make a submission may be limited by the trade competition provisions in [Part 11A](#) of the Resource Management Act 1991.

If you make a request under [section 100A](#) of the Resource Management Act 1991, you must do so in writing no later than 5 working days after the close of submissions and you may be liable to meet or contribute to the costs of the hearings commissioner or commissioners.

You may not make a request under section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991 in relation to an application for a coastal permit to carry out an activity that a regional coastal plan describes as a restricted coastal activity.

Please note that your submission (or part of your submission) may be struck out if the authority is satisfied that at least 1 of the following applies to the submission (or part of the submission):

- it is frivolous or vexatious:
- it discloses no reasonable or relevant case:
- it would be an abuse of the hearing process to allow the submission (or the part) to be taken further:
- it contains offensive language:
- it is supported only by material that purports to be independent expert evidence, but has been prepared by a person who is not independent or who does not have sufficient specialised knowledge or skill to give expert advice on the matter.

The address for service for the Consent Authority is:

**Otago Regional Council, Private Bag 1954, Dunedin, 9054**  
or by email to [submissions@orc.govt.nz](mailto:submissions@orc.govt.nz)

Applicant: Cold Gold Clutha Ltd

Application Number: RM22.434

### Submission of BP & WE Marsh

#### **Effects on Aquatic Ecosystem**

- 1) The e3Scientific (e3S) report noted that Lagarosiphon major was found in one location where a slow-moving pool had formed downstream of a willow tree. The authors of this report recognize that its scope of work was limited to a singular site visit. "A full range of biota that are present at this site may not have been seen or recorded". It is of real concern, considering the one site visit, that lagarosiphon is highly likely to exist in other locations. The potential effect that dredge and tender movements could have on spreading this invasive plant to establish in areas downstream is cause for alarm.
- 2) In total, three micro-invertebrate samples were collected providing a very small snapshot of the community in the river. Samples were collected from the river margin only. The sampling does not represent the mid-river area where dredging will occur.

In summary, we feel that there is insufficient information to determine the level of effects the dredging will have on the aquatic ecosystem.

- 3) We strongly support the conclusion of the Aukaha Cultural Impact Assessment. "Overall, mana whenua are concerned that the current dredging proposal perpetuates existing inequities in environmental outcomes".