In the Environment Court of New Zealand **Christchurch Registry**

I Te Kooti Taiao O Aotearoa **Ōtautahi Rohe**

ENV-2024-CHC-

Under	the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act)	
In the matter of	an appeal under clause 14(1) of the First Schedule of the Act	
and in the matter of	decisions by Otago Regional Council in respect of the Proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement 2021	
Between	Queenstown Lakes District Council Appellant	
And	Otago Regional Council Respondent	

Notice of New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi wish to be party to proceedings

Dated 5 June 2024



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The Registrar Environment Court Christchurch

То

- New Zealand Transport Agency Waka Kotahi ('NZTA') wishes to be a party to an appeal by Queenstown Lakes District Council (Appellant) against the decisions of the Otago Regional Council on the Proposed Regional Policy Statement 2021 (non-freshwater parts) ('PORPS').
- 2 NZTA made a submission (number 305) and further submission (number 305) on the PORPS. NZTA's submission or further submission sought relief in relation to the following highly valued natural features and landscapes ('**HVNFL**') provisions:
 - a EIT-INF-P13; and
 - b NFL-P3.
- 3 NZTA is not a trade competitor for the purposes of sections 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 4 NZTA is interested in part of the proceedings, being those aspects of the appeal that are set out below at paragraph 5 of this notice.
- 5 NZTA is interested in the following issues:
 - a Amendments sought to EIT-INF-P13; and
 - b Amendments sought to NFL-P3.
- 6 NZTA has set out its position in relation to the above provisions and the reasons for those in **Appendix A** to this notice.

7 NZTA agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Dated 5 June 2024

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Appendix A Table of PORPS provisions of interest

TABLE OF PORPS PROVISIONS OF INTEREST			
PROVISION	POSITION	REASON	
EIT-INF-P13	Oppose	NZTA opposes the inclusion of HVNFL in EIT-INF-P13. It is unclear what infrastructure the Appellant seeks to control with this provision, considering OFLs and ONLs are already a significant portion of the Queenstown District.	
NFL-P3	Oppose	The Appellant seeks to reinstate the Notified Version of NFL- P3. NZTA opposes reintroduction of HVNFLs, as these would create uncertainty for the construction, operation, maintenance and upgrading of infrastructure.	