

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND  
DUNEDIN REGISTRY**

**I TE KŌTI MATUA O AOTEAROA  
ŌTEPOTI ROHE**

**CIV-2024-412-000041**

**Under** The Resource Management Act 1991  
(the **Act**)

**In the Matter** of an appeal pursuant to section 299 and  
Clause 56 of Schedule 1 of the Act.

**Between** **OCEANA GOLD (NEW ZEALAND)  
LIMITED** (CIV-2024-412-000041)  
**Appellant**

**And** **OTAGO REGIONAL COUNCIL**  
**Respondent**

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**NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL BY OTAGO WATER RESOURCE USER  
GROUP INCORPORATED OF S 301 INTEREST IN APPEALS**

**DATED 17 DECEMBER 2024**

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**NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL FROM PROCEEDING****May it please the Court:**

1. Otago Water Resource User Group Incorporated (**OWRUG**) is a s 301 party to the following High Court appeals against decision of the Otago Regional Council relating to the freshwater parts of the proposed Otago Regional Policy Statement:
  - (a) Otago Fish and Game CIV-2024-412-37,
  - (b) Kāi Tahu CIV-2024-412-38,
  - (c) Oceana Gold Limited CIV-2024-412-41, and
  - (d) Forest and Bird CIV-2024-412-42.
2. OWRUG attended mediation and signed the joint memorandum to resolve the Kāi Tahu and Forest and Bird appeals. These orders have been made.
3. OWRUG attended mediation and signed the joint memorandum to partially resolve Otago Fish and Game and Oceana Gold's appeal. Fish and Game are not continuing their appeal to a hearing. The unresolved parts of the Oceana Gold appeals are continuing to a hearing in the High Court. OWRUG does not have an interest in the appeal points proceeding to hearing.
4. OWRUG gives notice that its interest as a s 301 party to the Oceana Gold appeals is withdrawn.
5. Counsel has conferred with the Appellant and Respondent and can confirm that there is no issue as to costs.

Dated 17 December 2024

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Hannah Perkin'.

Bridget Irving / Hannah Perkin

Counsel for Otago Water Resource User Group Incorporated