25 Earthworks

Please note: Variations to parts of this chapter have been decided by Council on 18 March 2021 as part of Stage 3&3b of the PDP. You can view the Stage 3 Decisions and appeals notices on our website. The appeals and section 274 periods for the Stage 1 and 2 Decisions have closed.

This table identifies new provisions sought to be added:

Appellant Court Number	Provision/s Sought to be Added into Chapter 25
Hogans Gully Farming Ltd	Site-specific relief as part of a Wakatipu Basin rezoning requested in Stage 2:
ENV-2019-CHC-099	Insert a new rule 25.5.10 in Table 25.5 as follows:
	25.5.10 Hogans Gully Zone – golf course construction and maintenance (Maximum Volume: No maximum)
Darby Planning Ltd Partnership	Site-specific relief as part of a Wakatipu Basin rezoning requested in Stage 2:
ENV-2019-CHC-085	Insert new provisions into Table 25.2 for maximum volume thresholds for the proposed Glendhu Station Zone. Make any further consequential changes to the maximum volume triggers to integrate final activity areas arising from decisions on the Stage 1 hearing for the Glendhu Station Zone:
	Activity Area R, Activity Area GS(FH), Activity Area GS(C): maximum total volume of 500m3
Trojan Helmet Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-037	Site-specific relief as part of a Wakatipu Basin rezoning requested in Stage 2:
	Amend Chapter 25 so that there is no maximum volume for earthworks on the land shown in Appendix A (The Hills Resort Zone) for the purpose of golf course construction and maintenance as follows by inserting new Rule 25.5.6A:
	Golf course construction and maintenance for The Hills – to which rule 25.5.6 does not apply (No maximum).
Well Smart Investments Group ENV-2019-CHC-062	Reject changes to the Earthworks Chapter (retain the operative version) unless it is amended to remove any unnecessary resource consent requirements.
(consent order issued)	Insert a new Policy:
	Take into account, in considering the effects of earthworks, the effect of any future subdivision engineering works, landscaping, building or other works that may avoid, remedy or mitigate the effects of the earthworks.
Trojan Helmet Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-037	Site-specific relief as part of a Wakatipu Basin rezoning requested in Stage 2:
	Amend Chapter 25 Earthworks so that within the Wakatipu Basin Rural Amenity Zone and Wakatipu Basin Lifestyle Precinct the permitted activity total maximum volume of earthworks is 1,000m³, as follows:
	Wakatipu Basin Rural Amenity Zone and Precinct
Trojan Helmet Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-037	Site-specific relief as part of a Wakatipu Basin rezoning requested in Stage 2:
	Amend Chapter 25 Earthworks so that within the Wakatipu Basin Rural Amenity Zone and Wakatipu Basin Lifestyle Precinct the permitted activity total maximum volume of earthworks is 1,000m³, as follows:
	Wakatipu Basin Rural Amenity Zone and Precinct

25.1 Purpose

Earthworks are often a necessary component of the use and development of rural and urban land, and are often an integral part of the development, operation, maintenance and upgrading of infrastructure. Within urban areas, some modification of the landscape is inevitable in order to provide for development, including creating functional, safe and stable building sites, as well as roads and access ways with appropriate gradients. Within rural areas, some smaller scale earthworks are required to ensure the ongoing viability of rural land uses.

Within both rural and urban locations earthworks have the potential for adverse effects on landscape and visual amenity values and require management to ensure the District's Outstanding Natural Features, Landscapes, amenity values, cultural values, waterbodies and their margins are protected from inappropriate development.

Earthworks associated with construction, subdivision, land use and development can cause erosion of land and sedimentation of stormwater. Unless appropriately managed this could affect stormwater networks, or result in sediment entering wetlands, rivers and lakes. Earthworks can also create temporary nuisance effects from dust, noise and vibration that require management. The focus of Chapter 25 is therefore on ensuring the adverse effects of earthworks are appropriately managed and minimised. It does not seek to discourage or avoid earthworks in the District.

The volume, cut and fill limits in the Earthworks Chapter do not apply to earthworks associated subdivisions. All other rules in the Earthworks Chapter apply to subdivisions to manage potential adverse effects from for instance, earthworks near water bodies or cut and fill adjacent to neighbouring properties. Applications for subdivisions involving earthworks shall also be considered against the matters of discretion and assessment matters in this chapter.

Earthworks in this plan encompass the defined activities of earthworks but exclude cultivation, mineral prospecting, exploration and mining activity.

25.2 Objectives and Policies

25.2.1 Objective – Earthworks are undertaken in a manner that minimises adverse effects on the environment, including through mitigation or remediation, and protects people and communities.

Objective 25.2.1 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
Objective 25.2.1: Delete the word to "minimise" and insert the words "avoid, remedy or mitigate"	Queenstown Park Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-057 (consent order issued)
Objective 25.2.1: Delete the word to "minimise" and insert the words "avoid, remedy or mitigate".	Remarkables Park Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-058 (consent order issued)
Amend Objective 25.2.1:	Well Smart Investments Group
Enable Eearthworks are, particularly those that are part of a subdivision, development or access, to be undertaken in a manner that minimises avoids, remedies or mitigates adverse	ENV-2019-CHC-062 (consent order issued)

effects on the environment <u>including on landscape and amenity values</u>, <u>and protects people</u> and communities, and maintains landscape and visual amenity values.

Policies

- 25.2.1.1 Ensure earthworks minimise erosion, land instability, and sediment generation and offsite discharge during construction activities associated with subdivision and development.
- 25.2.1.2 Manage the adverse effects of earthworks to avoid inappropriate adverse effects and minimise other adverse effects, in a way that:
 - a. Protects the values of Outstanding Natural Features and Landscapes;
 - b. Maintains the amenity values of Rural Character Landscapes;
 - Protects the values of Significant Natural Areas and the margins of lakes, rivers and wetlands;
 - d. Minimises the exposure of aquifers, in particular the Wakatipu Basin, Hāwea Basin, Wānaka Basin and Cardrona alluvial ribbon aquifers;
 - Note: These aquifers are identified in the Otago Regional Plan: Water for Otago 2004.
 - e. Protects Māori cultural values, including wāhi tapu and wāhi tūpuna and other sites of significance to Māori;
 - f. Protects the values of heritage sites, precincts and landscape overlays from inappropriate subdivision, use and development; and
 - g. Maintains public access to and along lakes and rivers.

Policy 25.2.1.2 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
Amend Policy 25.2.1.2:	Well Smart Investments Group
Manage the adverse effects of earthworks to avoid inappropriate adverse effects and minimise avoid, remedy or mitigate other adverse effects, in a way that to the extent practicable:	ENV-2019-CHC-062 (consent order issued

- 25.2.1.3 Avoid, where practicable, or remedy or mitigate adverse visual effects of earthworks on visually prominent slopes, natural landforms and ridgelines.
- 25.2.1.4 Manage the scale and extent of earthworks to maintain the amenity values and quality of rural and urban areas.
- 25.2.1.5 Design earthworks to recognise the constraints and opportunities of the site and environment.
- 25.2.1.6 Ensure that earthworks are designed and undertaken in a manner that does not adversely affect infrastructure, buildings and the stability of adjoining sites.

- 25.2.1.7 Encourage limiting the area and volume of earthworks being undertaken on a site at any one time to minimise adverse effects on water bodies and nuisance effects of adverse construction noise, vibration, odour, dust and traffic effects.
- 25.2.1.8 Undertake processes to avoid adverse effects on cultural heritage, including wāhi tapu, wāhi tūpuna and other taonga, and archaeological sites, or where these cannot be avoided, effects are remedied or mitigated.
- 25.2.1.9 Manage the potential adverse effects arising from exposing or disturbing accidentally discovered material by following the Accidental Discovery Protocol in Schedule 25.10.
- 25.2.1.10 Ensure that earthworks that generate traffic movements maintain the safety of roads and accesses, and do not degrade the amenity and quality of surrounding land.
- 25.2.1.11 Ensure that earthworks minimise natural hazard risk to people, communities and property, in particular earthworks undertaken to facilitate land development or natural hazard mitigation.

25.2.2 Objective – The social, cultural and economic wellbeing of people and communities benefits from earthworks

Policies

- 25.2.2.1 Enable earthworks that are necessary to provide for people and communities wellbeing, having particular regard to the importance of:
 - a. Nationally and Regionally Significant Infrastructure;
 - tourism infrastructure and activities, including the continued operation, and provision for future sensitive development of recreation and tourism activities within the Ski Area Sub Zones and the vehicle testing facility within the Waiorau Ski Area Sub Zone;
 - c. minimising the risk of natural hazards;
 - d. enhancing the operational efficiency of farming including maintenance and improvement of track access and fencing; and
 - e. the use and enjoyment of land for recreation, including public walkways and trails; and
 - f. maintaining or enhancing the operational efficiency of existing infrastructure.

Rule 25.2.2.1 d and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
Policy 25.2.2.1.d: Amend to also reference the operational efficiency of activities other than farming.	Queenstown Park Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-057 (consent order issued)

25.3 Other Provisions and Rules

25.3.1 District Wide

Attention is drawn to the following District Wide chapters.

1 Introduction	2 Definitions	3 Strategic Direction
4 Urban Development	5 Tangata Whenua	6 Landscapes
26 Historic Heritage	27 Subdivision	28 Natural Hazards
29 Transport	30 Energy and Utilities	31 Signs
32 Protected Trees	33 Indigenous Vegetation and Biodiversity	34 Wilding Exotic Trees
35 Temporary Activities and Relocated Buildings	36 Noise	37 Designations
District Plan web mapping application		

- 25.3.1.1 Refer to Chapter 33 Indigenous Vegetation and Biodiversity for earthworks within Significant Natural Areas. The provisions of this chapter apply in addition to the provisions in Chapter 33 Indigenous Vegetation and Biodiversity.
- 25.3.1.2 Earthworks are also managed as part of development activities and modifications to Historic Heritage items and settings identified on the District Plan web mapping application and in Chapter 26 Historic Heritage. The provisions of this chapter apply in addition to the provisions in Chapter 26 Historic Heritage.
- 25.3.1.3 The rules relating to construction noise and vibration are managed in Chapter 36: Noise. Consideration of construction noise and vibration associated with earthworks are included as matters of discretion in Part 25.7 and assessment matters in Part 25.8 as a component of the management of the potential adverse effects of earthworks.

25.3.2 Interpreting and Applying the Rules

- 25.3.2.1 A permitted activity must comply with all the rules listed in the Activity and Standards tables, and any relevant district wide rules, otherwise a resource consent will be required.
- 25.3.2.2 Where an activity does not comply with a Standard listed in the Standards table, the activity status identified by the Non-Compliance Status column shall apply. Where an activity breaches more than one Standard, the most restrictive status shall apply to the Activity.
- 25.3.2.3 For restricted discretionary activities, the Council shall restrict the exercise of its discretion to the matters listed in 25.7 Matters of Discretion.
- 25.3.2.4 The rules for any zone include any subzone or overlay applicable to that zone, except where otherwise specified.

- 25.3.2.5 Earthworks associated with subdivisions under Chapter 27 are exempt from the following Rules:
 - a. Table 25.2 Maximum Volume;
 - b. Rule 25.5.15 Cut Standard; and
 - c. Rule 25.5.16 Fill Standard; and
 - d. Rule 25.5.21.

All other rules in the Earthworks Chapter apply to earthworks associated with a subdivision. Applications for earthworks that are associated with subdivision shall be considered against the matters of discretion for earthworks in Part 25.7 and assessment matters in Part 25.8.

Applications for subdivision involving any earthworks shall be considered against the matters of discretion for earthworks in Part 25.7 and assessment matters in Part 25.8.

- 25.3.2.6 Earthworks within the Ski Area Sub Zones and vehicle testing facilities within the Waoirau Ski Area Sub Zone are exempt from the earthworks rules, with the exception of the following rules that apply:
 - a. Rules 25.5.12 and 25.5.13 that control erosion and sediment and dust; and

Rule 25.5.19 setbacks from waterbodies.

Rule 25.3.2.6 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
Amend Rule 25.3.2.6 as follows:	Wayfare Group Ltd
Rule 25.3.2.6 Earthworks within the Ski Area Sub Zones and vehicle testing	ENV-2019-CHC-076 (consent order issued)
facilities within the Waiorau Ski Area Sub Zone are exempt from the earthworks rules, with the	Darby Planning Ltd Partnership
exception of the following rules that apply: a. Rules 25.5.12 and 25.5.13 that control crosion and sediment	ENV 2019 CHC 085 (consent order issued)
and dust;	(consent order issued)
b. Rule 25.5.19 setbacks from waterbodies; and c. Rule 25.5.20 exposing groundwater.	Treble Cone Investments Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 091
a maio 2010/20 disposing growth a material	(consent order issued)
	Blackmans Creek No.1 LP and Soho Ski Area Ltd
	ENV-2019-CHC-094
	(consent order issued)

- 25.3.2.7 Trails below 750 metres asl are exempt from the following earthworks rules:
 - a. 25.5.1;
 - b. 25.5.4;
 - c. 25.5.6; and
 - d. 25.5.18.

- 25.3.2.8 Earthworks within the Rural Zone, Gibbston Character Zone and Rural Lifestyle Zone to facilitate the construction of a building and landscaping authorised by resource consent within an approved building platform are exempt from the following rules:
 - a. Table 25.2 Maximum Volume;
 - b. Rule 25.5.15 Cut Standard; and
 - c. Rule 25.5.16 Fill Standard.
- 25.3.2.9 The provisions in this chapter do not apply to the following activities in Chapter 30 Energy and Utilities:
 - a. Earthworks, buildings, structures and National Grid sensitive activities undertaken within the National Grid Yard;
 - b. Earthworks for the placement of underground electricity cables or lines.
 - c. Earthworks for the construction, alteration, or addition to underground lines.
- 25.3.2.10 Earthworks shall be calculated as follows:
 - a. The maximum volume and area of earthworks shall be calculated per site, within any consecutive 12 month period.
 - b. Volume shall mean the sum of all earth that is moved within a site and includes the total of any combined cut and fill. Refer to Interpretive Diagrams 25.1 to 25.3 located within Schedule 25.9.
 - c. Earth moved within a site more than once within any consecutive 12 month period shall only be counted once.

Rule 25.3.2.9 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
Amend Rule 25.3.2.9, as follows: 25.3.2.9: Earthworks shall be calculated as follows: a. The maximum volume and area of earthworks shall be calculated per site, within any consecutive 12 month period. b. Volume shall mean the sum of all earth that is moved within a site and includes the total of any combined cut and fill, measured at the completion of that work. Refer to Interpretive Diagrams 25.1 to 25.3 located within Schedule 25.9.	Wayfare Group Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-076 (consent order issued) Darby Planning Ltd Partnership ENV-2019-CHC-085 (consent order issued) Lake Hayes Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-089 (consent order issued)
	Treble Cone Investments Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 091 (consent order issued) Blackmans Creek No.1 LP and Soho Ski Area Ltd ENV-2019 CHC-094 (consent order issued)

Henley Downs Farm Holdings Ltd and Henley
Downs Land Holdings Ltd
ENV-2019-CHC-095
(consent order issued)

25.3.2.11 Earthworks for the following shall be exempt from the rules in Tables 25.1 to 25.3:

Rule 25.3.2.10 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
25.3.2.10 Earthworks for the following shall be exempt from the rules in Tables 25.1 to 25.3: o. The formation of publicly accessible cycle and walking trails	Queenstown Trails Trust ENV-2019-CHC-026 (consent order issued)

- a. Erosion and sediment control except where subject to Rule 25.5.19 setback from waterbodies.
- b. The digging of holes for offal pits
- c. Fence posts.
- d. Drilling bores.
- e. Mining Activity, Mineral Exploration or Mineral Prospecting.
- f. Planting riparian vegetation.
- g. Internments within legally established burial grounds.
- h. Maintenance of existing vehicle and recreational accesses and tracks, excluding their expansion.

Rule 25.3.2.10h and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
25.3.2.10 Earthworks for the following shall be exempt from the rules in Tables 25.1 to 25.3: h. Maintenance of existing vehicle and recreational accesses and tracks. , excluding their expansion. And/ or amend 25.3.2.10 by making 25.3.2.10.h subject to new 25.3.2.10.o	Queenstown Trails Trust ENV-2019-CHC-026 (consent order issued)
Rule 25.3.4.5.h: Amend to also provide an exemption for earthworks for the formation / creation of new recreational tracks.	Remarkables Park Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 058 (consent order issued)

i. Deposition of spoil from drain clearance work within the site the drain crosses.

- j. Test pits or boreholes necessary as part of a geotechnical assessment or contaminated land assessment where the ground is reinstated to existing levels within 48 hours.
- k. Firebreaks not exceeding 10 metres width.
- I. Cultivation and cropping.
- m. Fencing in the Rural Zone, Wakatipu Basin Rural Amenity Zone (excluding the Precinct), Rural Lifestyle Zone and Gibbston Character Zone where any cut or fill does not exceed 1 metre in height or any earthworks does not exceed 1 metre in width.
- n. Earthworks where the following National Environmental Standards have regulations that prevail over the District Plan:
 - (i) Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Electricity Transmission Activities) Regulations 2009.
 - (ii) Resource Management (National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health) Regulations 2011.
 - (iii) Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Telecommunication Facilities) Regulations 2016.
 - (iv) Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry) Regulations 2016.

25.3.2.12 The following abbreviations are used within this Chapter.

Р	Permitted	С	Controlled
RD	Restricted Discretionary	D	Discretionary
NC	Non Complying	PR	Prohibited

25.3.3 Advice Notes - Regional Council Provisions

- 25.3.3.1 Some earthworks activities including those that:
 - a. involve the diversion of water; including any earthworks structures used for flood hazard mitigation; or
 - b. discharge of stormwater with sediment; or
 - c. modification to water bodies including wetlands; or
 - d. result in the exposure of groundwater aquifers: are subject to the Otago Regional Council Regional Plan: Water for Otago 2004.
- 25.3.3.2 Cleanfill and Landfill activities are also subject to the Otago Regional Council Regional Plan: Waste for Otago 1997.

25.3.4 Advice Notes - General

25.3.4.1 Those who wish to undertake earthworks in the vicinity of Queenstown Airport or Wānaka Airport are referred to Figures 1 to 4 of the District Plan web mapping application which identify the Airport Approach and Protection Measures, and Airport

Protection Inner Horizontal and Conical Surfaces for Queenstown Airport and Wānaka Airport. Land use restrictions within these areas are further described in Chapter 37: Designations, Parts D.3 and E.2. Persons who wish to undertake earthworks are advised to consult with the relevant requiring authority and the Civil Aviation Authority.

- 25.3.4.2 Part I of the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014 states that no work may be undertaken on an archaeological site (whether recorded or unrecorded) until an archaeological authority to destroy, damage or modify a site has been granted by Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga in accordance with that Act. Note: A recorded site is an archaeological site recorded via the New Zealand Archaeological Association's Site Recording Scheme and information is available at www.archsite.org.nz.
- 25.3.4.3 Attention is drawn to the following iwi management plans that should be taken into account of and given regard to when assessing resource consent applications:
 - a. Te Tangi a Tauira: The Cry of the People, the Ngāi Tahu ki Murihiku Iwi Management Plan for Natural Resources 2008.
 - b. Kāi Tahu ki Otago Natural Resource Management Plans 1995 and 2005.
- 25.3.4.4 Resource consent may be required for earthworks under the following National Environmental Standards:
 - a. Resource Management (National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health) Regulations 2011. In particular for earthworks associated with the removal or replacement of fuel storage tanks, earthworks associated with sampling or disturbance of land identified in the Listed Land Use Register held by the Otago Regional Council. In these instances, the NES applies instead of the District Plan provisions.
 - b. The Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Telecommunication Facilities) Regulations 2016. In particular for earthworks associated with antennas and cabinets. Refer to Chapter 30 Energy and Utilities for clarification as to whether the NES applies instead of the District Plan provisions.
 - c. The Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Electricity Transmission Activities) Regulations 2009. Refer to Chapter 30 Energy and Utilities for clarification as to whether the NES applies instead of the District Plan provisions.
 - d. The Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry) Regulations 2017.
- 25.3.4.5 For Rules 25.5.7 and 25.5.10A the urban environment relates to those zones set out in Part 3: Urban Environment and the Open Space and Recreation Zones within the Urban Growth Boundary.

25.4 Rules – Activities

	Table 25.1 -	Earthworks Activities	Activity Status
25.4.1	Earthworks that comply with all of the standards in Tables 25.2 and 25.3, except where listed in Table 25.1 as a restricted discretionary or discretionary activity.		
25.4.2	Earthworks that do not comply with the standards for the maximum total volume of earthworks in Table 25.2.		
25.4.3	Earthworks for the construction or operation of a Cleanfill Facility.		RD
25.4.4	Earthworks	for the construction or operation of a Landfill.	D
25.4.5	Earthworks		D
	25.4.5.1	that modify, damage or destroy a wāhi tapu, wāhi tūpuna or other site of significance to Māori whether identified on the District Plan web mapping application or not; or	
	25.4.5.2	that modify, damage or destroy a listed heritage feature, in Chapter 26.8 Historic Heritage; or	
	25.4.5.3	within the setting or extent of place of a listed heritage feature in Chapter 26.8 – Historic Heritage.	
25.4.6		within a Statutory Acknowledgment Area, Tōpuni or identified on the District Plan web mapping	D

Rule 25.4 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
Rule 25.4: Amend to enable earthworks for the improvement and formation / creation of track access as a permitted activity in all zones.	Queenstown Park Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 057 (consent order issued)
Rule 25.4: Amend to enable earthworks for the improvement and formation / creation of track access as a permitted activity in all zones.	Remarkables Park Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 058 (consent order issued)

25.5 Rules – Standards

	Table 25.2 - Maximum Volume	Maximum
		Total
		Volume
25.5.1	Arrowtown Residential Historic Management Zone	100m³
	Arrowtown Town Centre Zone	

	Table 25.2 - Maximum Volume		Maximum Total Volume
	Open Space and Recreation Zones		Volume
25.5.2	Heritage Landscape Overlay Area		10m³
	Heritage Precinct		
	Outstanding Natural Feature		
	Rule 25.5.2 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number	
	Standard 25.5.2 – Maximum Total Volume of 10m in:	Wayfare Group Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-076	
	Heritage Landscape Overlay Area Heritage Precinct Outstanding Natural Feature	(consent order issued)	
25.5.3	Low Density Residential Zone		300m ³
	Medium Density Residential Zone		
	High Density Residential Zone		
	Waterfall Park Zone		
	Settlement Zone		
25.5.4	Large Lot Residential Zone		400m ³
	Rural Residential Zone		
	Rural Lifestyle Zone		
	Wakatipu Basin Rural Amenity Zone	and Precinct	
25.5.5	Queenstown Town Centre Zone	500m ³	
	Wānaka Town Centre Zone		
	Local Shopping Centre Zone		
	Business Mixed Use Zone		
	Airport Zone (Queenstown)		
	Millbrook Resort Zone		
	Gibbston Valley Resort Zone		
	General Industrial and Service Zone		

	Table 25.2 - Maximum Volume	Maximum Total Volume
	Three Parks Commercial and Three Parks Business	1000000
	Rural Visitor Zone	
25.5.6	Rural Zone	1000m³
	Gibbston Character Zone	
	Airport Zone (Wānaka)	
25.5.7	25.5.7.1 Roads	a. No limit
	25.5.7.2 Roads located within an Outstanding Natural Feature identified on the District Plan web mapping application and	b. 10m³
	25.5.7.3 Roads located within Wāhi Tūpuna areas outside the urban environment where roads have been identified as a potential threat to Manawhenua values (see Schedule 39.6)	c. 10m³
	25.5.7.4 Rule 25.5.7.3 does not apply to earthworks for the operation, repair and maintenance of the existing formed roading network.	
	Jacks Point Zone	
25.5.8	Residential Activity Areas	500m³
	Open Space Horticulture	
	Open Space Residential	
	Open Space Foreshore	
	Farm Buildings and Craft Activity Area	
	Boating Facilities Area	
25.5.9	Open Space Landscape	1000m³
	Open Space Amenity	
	Homesite	
25.5.10	Open Space Golf	No
	Education	maximum

	Table 25.2 - Maximum Volume	Maximum Total Volume
25.2.10A	Village Village Homestead Bay 25.5.10A.1 The following Wāhi Tūpuna areas as identified in	10m³
	Schedule 39.6: Te Rua Tūpāpaku (Wāhi Tūpuna 5), Mou Tapu (Wāhi Tūpuna 9), Te Koroka (Wāhi Tūpuna 12), Punatapu (Wāhi Tūpuna 16), Te Tapunui (Wāhi Tūpuna 20), Kā Kamu a Hakitekura (Wāhi Tūpuna 22), and Te Taumata o Hakitekura (Wāhi Tūpuna 27).	
	25.5.10A.2 Wāhi Tūpuna areas as identified in Schedule 39.6 but not listed in 25.5.10A.1, where earthworks: a. are located within 20m of the bed of any wetland, river or lake; b. are located at an elevation exceeding 400 masl, except within Ōrau (Wāhi Tūpuna 11); c. within Ōrau (Wāhi Tūpuna 11), are located at an elevation exceeding 600 masl; or. d. modify a skyline or terrace edge when viewed from a public place within 2 kilometres.	
	Except that: a. The following are exempt from Rule 25.5.10A.1 and Rule 25.5.10A.2: i. Earthworks located in the urban environment. ii. Earthworks for the minor upgrading of underground electricity cables or overhead lines, except where this involves the addition of new support structures. iii. Earthworks required for the planting of indigenous species. b. The following are exempt from Rule 25.5.10A.2.b and 25.5.10A.2.c: i. Earthworks as part of farming activity for the	

Table 25.2 - Maximum Volume	Maximum Total Volume
ii. More than one earthworks activity not exceeding the maximum volume of 10m³ may be undertaken on the same site within any consecutive 12 month period, provided that each earthworks activity is located at least 400m from any other earthworks activity subject to 25.5.10A.2.b and 25.5.10A.2.c: (as otherwise applicable).	

25.5.11 Ea fol	25.5.11.2 25.5.11.3	er a contiguous area of: 2,500m² where the slo 10,000m² where the s		RD
fol	25.5.11.1 25.5.11.2 25.5.11.3	: 2,500m ² where the slo 10,000m ² where the s 2,500m ² at any one tir	ope is 10° or greater.	RD
	25.5.11.2 25.5.11.3	10,000m ² where the s $2,500$ m ² at any one tir		
	25.5.11.3	2,500m² at any one tir	lope is less than 10°.	
		uan.	ne for the construction of a	
	and maintair sediment exi	rosion and sediment control measures must be implemented and maintained during earthworks to minimise the amount of sediment exiting the site, entering water bodies, and stormwater networks.		RD
!	Note:			
	Compliance with this standard is generally deemed to be compliance with Erosion and Sediment Control Guide for Land Disturbing Activities in the Auckland region. Auckland Council Guideline Document GD2016/005.			
R	Rule 25.5.12 and			
	Delete Rule 25.5			
	Dust from earthworks shall be managed through appropriate dust control measures so that dust it does not cause nuisance effects beyond the boundary of the site Note:		RD	

	Table 25.3 - Star	ndards		Non- Compliance
	Compliance with this standard is generally deemed to be compliance with section 9 of Erosion and Sediment Control Guide for Land Disturbing Activities in the Auckland region. Auckland Council Guideline Document GD2016/005.			
	Rule 25.5.13 and r	elief sought	Appellant Court Number	
	Delete Rule 25.5.1	3	Wayfare Group Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-076 (consent order issued)	
25.5.14	Earthworks that	t discovers any of the	e following:	RD
	25.5.14.1	taoka (resources o	nan skeletal remains), wāhi f importance), wāhi tapu of special significance) or ct material, or	
	25.5.14.2	any feature or arch predates 1900, or	naeological material that	
	25.5.14.3	.5.14.3 evidence of contaminated land (such as discolouration, vapours, landfill material, significant odours),		
	that is not provided for by the Resource Management (National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health) Regulations 2011, any resource consent or other statutory authority, shall comply with the standards and procedures in Schedule 25.10 'Accidental Discovery Protocol'.			
	Rule 25.5.14 and r	elief sought	Appellant Court Number	
	Delete Rule 25.5.14 Wayfare Group Ltd ENV-2019 - CHC-076 (consent order issued)			
	Height of cut an	d fill and slope		
25.5.45	Height of cut and fill and slope			200
25.5.15			I not exceed 2.4 metres.	RD
	25.5.15.1 Th	nis rule shall not app	ly to roads.	
		ne maximum depth c cceed 1.5 metres.	of any cut for trails shall not	

	Table 25.3 - Standards	Non- Compliance
25.5.16	The maximum height of any fill shall not exceed 2 metres.	RD
	25.5.16.1 This rule shall not apply to roads and to the backfilling of excavations.	
	25.5.16.2 The maximum height of any fill for trails shall not exceed 1.5 metres.	
25.5.17	Earthworks for farm tracks and access ways in the following Zones and Activity Areas shall comply with standards 25.5.17.1 to 25.5.17.3:	RD
	Rural Zone	
	Wakatipu Basin Rural Amenity Zone	
	Gibbston Character Zone	
	Jacks Point Zone Activity Areas:	
	- Open Space Landscape	
	- Open Space Golf	
	Open Space AmenityHomesiteEducationLodge	
	No farm track or access way shall have an upslope cut or batter greater than 1 metre in height, except on land below 750m asl:	
	a. This may be exceeded for 10% or less of the total track length to a maximum height of 2 metres: and	
	 Any cut or batter exceeding 1 metre in height shall not have a continuous length of more than 70 metres, and shall be limited to two exceedances of 70 metres per kilometre. 	
	25.5.17.2 All cuts and batters shall not be greater than 65 degrees.	
	25.5.17.3 The maximum height of any fill shall not exceed 2 metres.	
	This standard shall not apply to roads, or private roads associated with subdivisions under Chapter 27.	
	Rule 25.5.17 and relief sought Appellant Court Number	

	Table 25.3 - Standards	Non- Compliance		
	Amend the following statement in 25.5.17 a below:	as set out	Darby Planning Ltd Partnership	
	This standard shall not apply to roads <u>and proads</u> .	<u>orivate</u>	ENV 2019 CHC 085 (consent order issued)	
			Lake Hayes Ltd ENV-2019-CHC- 089 (consent order issued)	
			Henley Downs Farm Holdings Ltd and Henley Downs Land Holdings Ltd ENV-2019-CHC- 095 (consent order issued)	
	Rule 25.5.17: Amend to allow a cut of up to height as a permitted activity.	2m in	Queenstown Park Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 057 (consent order issued)	
	Setbacks from boundaries			
25.5.18	Earthworks greater than 0.5 metro set back from the site boundary the distances:	_		RD
	Rule 25.5.18 and relief sought	Appellant Court Numl	per	
	Standard 25.5.18 Earthworks greater than 0.53 metres in height or depth shall be set back from the site boundary the following minimum distances: Earthworks not supported by retaining walls: a. a distance at least equal to the maximum height of the fill, as measured from the toe of the fill, with a maximum batter slope angle of 1:3 (vertical: horizontal); or b. 300mm plus a batter slope angle of a maximum of 1:3 (vertical: horizontal), as measured from the crest of the cut. Refer to Interpretive Diagrams 25.4 and 25.5 located within Schedule 25.9. Earthworks supported by retaining walls:	Wayfare Gr ENV 2019 ((consent or	CHC 076	
	a. Cut or fill supported by a retaining wall must be setback a distance at least equal			

	Table 25.3 - 9	Standards	Non- Compliance
	b. Cut and fill e in height is exe Refer to Interp 25.7 located w *Control is res earthworks ha on the neighbour.	of the retaining wall; equal to or less than 0.5m empt from this rule. Fretive Diagrams 25.6 and Fithin Schedule 25.9. Freved to the height of Fretive prize to the effects Fretive principal to the effects Fretive prize to the effects Fretive prize	
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		m plus a batter slope angle of a maximum of 1:3 al: horizontal), as measured from the crest of the	
		to Interpretive Diagrams 25.4 and 25.5 located Schedule 25.9.	
	25.5.18.2		
	a. Cut or distan		
	from t Refer t	d fill equal to or less than 0.5m in height is exempt his rule. to Interpretive Diagrams 25.6 and 25.7 located Schedule 25.9.	
	Water bodie	es	
25.5.19	25.5.19.1	Earthworks within 10m of the bed of any water body, or any drain or water race that flows to a lake or river, shall not exceed 5m³ in total volume, within any consecutive 12-month period.	RD
	25.5.19.2	Within 10m of the bed of any water body, or any drain or water race that flows to a lake or river, earthworks for maintenance or reinstatement of existing water take structures, undertaken on up to two occasions within any consecutive 12-month period, on each occasion shall not exceed 10m³ in total volume.	

Table 25.3 - Standards		Non- Compliance
These rules shall not apply to: a. Any artificial water body (water wetland) that does not flow to Lake Tewa within the Jacks Poir	a lake or river, including	
 b. Maintenance and repairing of estructures in and around a water c. Earthworks to clear debris affectincluding water intakes. 	er body; or	
Rule 25.5.19 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number	
25.5.19 Earthworks within 10m 7m of the bed of any water body, or any drain or water race that flows to a lake or river, shall not exceed-5m³ 20m³ in total volume, within any consecutive 12-month period. This rule shall not apply to: 25.5.19.1 any artificial water body (watercourse, lake, pond or wetland) that does not flow to a lake or river, including Lake Tewa within the Jacks Point Zone; or 25.5.19.2 Maintenance and repairing of existing hazard protection structures in and around a water body. 25.5.19.3 Any earthworks within the Ski Area Sub Zones. [non-compliance status: restricted discretionary]	Darby Planning Ltd Partnership ENV-2019-CHC-085 (consent order issued) Treble Cone Investments Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-091 (consent order issued) Blackmans Creek No.1 LP and Soho Ski Area Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-094 (consent order issued)	
Standard 25.5.19 Earthworks within 7m 10m of the bed of any water body, or any drain or water race that flows to a lake or river, shall not exceed 5m³ 20m³ in total volume, within any consecutive 12-month period. This rule shall not apply to: 25.5.19.1 any artificial water body (watercourse, lake, pond or wetland) that does not flow to a lake or river, including Lake Tewa within the Jacks Point Zone; or 25.5.19.2 Maintenance and repairing of existing hazard protection structures in and around a water body. 25.5.19.3 Disturbance to the bed associated with clearing debris, maintaining, or reinstating existing buildings or structures and maintenance or reinstatement of a water intake, in order to enable to the exercise of a lawful take of water.	Wayfare Group Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-076 (consent order issued)	

	Table 25.3 - Standards		Non- Compliance
	25.5.19.3 Any earthworks within the Ski Area Subzones		
	Amend rule 25.5.19 as follows: 25.5.19 Earthworks within—10m 7m of the bed of any water body, or any drain or water race that flows to a lake or river, shall not exceed—5m3 20m3 in total volume, within any consecutive 12-month period.	Henley Downs Farm Holdings Ltd and Henley Downs Land Holdings Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 095 (consent order issued)	
	Amend rule 25.5.19 as follows: 25.5.19 Earthworks within 10m 7m of the bed of any water body, or any drain or water race that flows to a lake or river, shall not exceed 5m3-20m3 in total volume, within any consecutive 12-month period. This rule shall not apply to:	Lake Hayes Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-089 (consent order issued)	
25.5.20	Earthworks shall not be undertaken any aquifer, or cause artificial drains		RD
	Rule 25.5.20 and relief sought 25.5.20 Earthworks shall not be undertaken below the water table of any groundwater aquifer, or cause artificial drainage of any groundwater aquifer. Earthworks within the Ski Area Sub Zones are exempt from this provision. [non-compliance status: restricted discretionary]	Appellant Court Number Wayfare Group Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 076 (consent order issued) Darby Planning Ltd Partnership ENV 2019 CHC 085 (consent order issued) Treble Cone Investments Ltd ENV-2019 CHC 091 (consent order issued) Blackmans Creek No.1 LP and Soho Ski Area Ltd ENV-2019 CHC 094 (consent order issued)	
25.5.4	Cleanfill		
25.5.21	No more than 300m³ of Cleanfill shall be transported by road to or from an area subject to Earthworks. Discretion is restricted to the matters in 25.7.1.3, 25.7.1.7, and 25.7.1.9.		RD
	Rule 25.5.21 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number	

Table 25.3 - Standards		Non- Compliance
Delete Rule 25.5.21	Darby Planning Ltd Partnership ENV-2019-CHC-085 (consent order issued) Lake Hayes Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-089 (consent order issued) Henley Downs Farm Holdings Ltd and Henley Downs Land Holdings Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-095 (consent order issued)	

25.6 Non-Notification of Applications

- 25.6.1 All applications for resource consent under Rule 25.5.11 for restricted discretionary activities that exceed the area (m²) standard shall not require the written consent of other persons and shall not be notified or limited notified.
- 25.6.2 All applications for resource consent for restricted discretionary activities under Rule 25.4 within the Queenstown Town Centre Zone shall not be publically notified but notice will be served on those persons considered to be adversely affected if those parties have not given their written approval.

Rule 25.6 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
Amend rule 25.6 as follows: All applications for resource consent for the following matters shall not require the written consent of other persons and shall not be non-notified or limited notified: Rule 25.5.11 for RDA that exceed the area (m2) standard (i) Earthworks for any Restricted Discretionary Activity under Table 25.4 or 25.5 (ii) Earthworks for a Discretionary Activity under Rule 25.4.5 except applications for activities with more than minor adverse effects on listed heritage values will be publicly notified (iii) Earthworks for a Discretionary Activity under Rule 25.5.6 except applications with adverse effects on Ngāi Tahu rights or interests may be served on Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu and affected	Wayfare Group Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 076 (consent order issued)
Rūnanga	
Amend Rule 25.6 Non-notification: The non-notification clauses from the Operative District Plan (22.3.2.6) should carry through to the Proposed District Plan.	Well Smart Investments Group ENV-2019-CHC-062 (consent order issued)

25.7 Matters of Discretion

- 25.7.1 For all restricted discretionary activities, except in relation to Rule 25.5.7.3 and 25.5.10A discretion shall be restricted to the following matters. These matters may also be applicable to any discretionary or non-complying activity.
 - 25.7.1.1 Soil erosion, generation and run-off of sediment.
 - 25.7.1.2 Landscape and visual amenity values.
 - 25.7.1.3 Effects on infrastructure, adjacent sites and public roads.
 - 25.7.1.4 Land stability.
 - 25.7.1.5 Effects on water bodies, ecosystem services and biodiversity.
 - 25.7.1.6 Cultural, heritage and archaeological sites.
 - 25.7.1.7 Nuisance effects.
 - 25.7.1.8 Natural Hazards.
 - 25.7.1.9 Functional aspects and positive effects.

Rule 25.7.1 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
25.7.1 Matters of Discretion For all restricted discretionary activities discretion shall be restricted to the following matters. These matters may also be applicable to any discretionary or non-complying activity.	Wayfare Group Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-076 (consent order issued)
25.7.1.1 Soil erosion, generation and run-off of sediment. 25.7.1.2 Landscape and visual amenity <u>values</u> . 25.7.1.3 Effects on infrastructure, adjacent sites and public roads. 25.7.1.4 Land stability. 25.7.1.5 Effects on water bodies, ecosystem services and biodiversity. 25.7.1.6 Cultural, heritage and archaeological sites.	
25.7.1.7 Nuisance effects. 25.7.1.8 Natural Hazards. 25.7.1.9 Functional aspects and positive effects.	

25.7.2 For any restricted discretionary resource consent for non-compliance with Rule 25.5.7.3 and 25.5.10A discretion shall be restricted to effects on Manawhenua values.

25.8 Assessment Matters

Rule 25.8 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
Delete 25.8 Assessment Matters	Wayfare Group Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 076
	(consent order issued)

Amend Rule 25.8 Assessment matters: The assessment matters from the Operative District Pan (22.4) should carry through to the Proposed District Plan.

Well Smart Investments Group ENV 2019 CHC 062 (consent order issued)

25.8.1 In considering whether or not to grant consent or impose conditions on a resource consent, regard shall be had, but not be limited by the following assessment matters which are listed in the order of the matters of discretion.

25.8.2 Soil erosion and generation of sediments

- 25.8.2.1 The extent to which the proposal achieves effective erosion and sediment management.
- 25.8.2.2 Whether earthworks will be completed within a short period, reducing the risk of actual and potential adverse effects.
- 25.8.2.3 Whether the extent or impacts of adverse effects from the earthworks can be mitigated by managing the season or staging of when such works occur.
- 25.8.2.4 Whether the proposal is supported with erosion and sediment management design that corresponds to the scale, area, duration of the works and the sensitivity of receiving environment. In particular where resource consent is required for non-compliance with Rule 25.5.11, this design is prepared by a suitably qualified person.

Rule 25.8.2.4 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
Assessment Matter 25.8.2.4: Amend as follows: <u>For earthworks over 50,000m3, w</u> \text{\psi} hether the proposal is supported with erosion and sediment management design that corresponds to the scale, area, duration of the works and the sensitivity of the receiving environment	Queenstown Park Ltd ENV-2019-CHC-057 (consent order issued)

25.8.3 Landscape and visual amenity values

- 25.8.3.1 Whether the design of the earthworks is sympathetic to natural topography.
- 25.8.3.2 Whether any rehabilitation is proposed and to what extent rehabilitation, revegetation or future buildings would mitigate adverse effects, including any re-vegetation or landscaping.
- 25.8.3.3 The duration of earthworks and any timeframes proposed for remedial works and revegetation.
- 25.8.3.4 Within Outstanding Natural Features and Landscapes and the Rural Character Landscapes, whether and to what extent earthworks avoid, remedy or mitigate adverse effects or improve landscape quality and character, taking into account:
 - a. physical attributes including geological, topographical features, waterbodies and formative processes of the landscape;

- b. visual attributes including legibility, existing land management patterns, vegetation patterns, ridgelines or visually prominent areas; and
- c. cultural attributes including Tangata whenua values, historic and heritage associations.
- 25.8.3.5 The sensitivity of the landscape to absorb change, and whether the earthworks will change the character or quality of the landscape.
- 25.8.3.6 The potential for cumulative effects on the natural form of the landscape.
- 25.8.3.7 Whether the design or location of any new tracks or roads can be modified in order to decrease the effects on the stability, visual quality and amenity values of the landscape.
- 25.8.3.8 The extent earthworks will affect visual amenity values including public or private views and whether the earthworks will be remediated, and the final form of the area affected is consistent with natural topography and land use patterns.

25.8.4 Effects on infrastructure, adjacent sites and public roads

- 25.8.4.1 Whether the earthworks will affect stormwater and overland flows, and the extent to which this creates adverse effects off-site and increases stormwater flows onto other properties, including whether this will exceed existing stormwater design or stormwater management of those properties.
- 25.8.4.2 Whether the earthworks or final ground levels will adversely affect existing infrastructure, utility services and assets.
- 25.8.4.3 Where there will need to be off-site disposal of excess material or cleanfill, traffic generation effects limited to access, road network performance and safety, damage to the carriageway and amenity effects.
- 25.8.4.4 Whether the use of legal instruments are necessary, such as a bond to ensure works are completed, the earthworks area is rehabilitated, or for damage to roads.
- 25.8.4.5 Any other measures employed to reduce the impact on other sensitive receivers such as aircraft operating in the Airport Protection Inner and Conical Surfaces for Queenstown and Wānaka Airports.

25.8.5 Land stability

25.8.5.1 The extent to which any proposal demonstrates that fill associated with buildings, retaining, accesses and parking areas comply with the QLDC Land Development and Subdivision Code of Practice, where these matters have not already been addressed through a subdivision consent or building consent pursuant to Building Act 2004.

- 25.8.5.2 Where earthworks are proposed on a site gradient greater than 18.5 degrees (1 in 3), whether advice from a suitably qualified person has been provided to address the stability of the earthworks.
- 25.8.5.3 Whether cut, fill and retaining are designed and undertaken in accordance with the QLDC Land Development and Subdivision Code of Practice.
- 25.8.5.4 Whether the earthworks and any associated retaining structures are designed and located to avoid adverse effects on the stability and safety of surrounding land, buildings, and structures.

25.8.6 Effects on water bodies, ecosystem services and biodiversity

- 25.8.6.1 The effectiveness of sediment control techniques to ensure sediment run-off does not leave the development site or enter water bodies.
- 25.8.6.2 Whether and to what extent any groundwater is likely to be affected, and mitigation measures are proposed to address likely effects.
- 25.8.6.3 The effects of earthworks on the natural character, ecosystem services and biodiversity values of wetlands, lakes and rivers and their margins.
- 25.8.6.4 The effects on significant natural areas.

25.8.7 Cultural, heritage and archaeological values

- 25.8.7.1 The extent to which the activity modifies or damages wāhi tapu or wāhi taonga, whether tangata whenua have been notified and the outcomes of any consultation.
- 25.8.7.2 The extent to which the activity affects Ngāi Tahu's cultural, spiritual, historic and traditional association with a Statutory Acknowledgment Area having regard to the relevant provisions of the iwi management plans identified in Advice Note 25.3.4.3.
- 25.8.7.3 The extent to which a protocol for the accidental discovery of kōiwi, archaeology and artefacts of Māori origin or other archaeological items has been provided and the effectiveness of the protocol in managing the impact on Mana Whenua cultural heritage if a discovery is made. Using the Accidental Discovery Protocol in Schedule 25.10 as a guide.
- 25.8.7.4 Whether the proposal protects the relationship of Mana Whenua with their cultural heritage.
- 25.8.7.5 Whether the area subject to earthworks contains a recorded archaeological site, and if so the extent to which the proposal would affect any such site and whether any necessary archaeological authority has been obtained from Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga.
- 25.8.7.6 The extent to which earthworks and vibration adversely affect heritage items.

25.8.8 Nuisance effects

- 25.8.8.1 The extent to which earthworks will generate adverse noise, vibration, odour, dust, lighting and traffic effects on the surrounding environment and the effectiveness of proposed mitigation measures, including whether a management plan has been submitted as part of the application.
- 25.8.8.2 Duration and hours of operation, including whether the activity will generate noise and vibration effects, which detract from the amenity values of the surrounding area to an extent greater than anticipated to accommodate development otherwise provided for by the District Plan.

25.8.9 Natural Hazards

- 25.8.9.1 Whether the earthworks are necessary to avoid, remedy or mitigate the risk of any natural hazard.
- 25.8.9.2 Where the proposal is affected by, or potentially affected by, natural hazards as identified in the Council's natural hazards database, particular regard shall be had to the Natural Hazards Chapter 28, in particular Policies 28.3.2.1, 28.3.2.2, 28.3.2.3.
- 25.8.9.3 Whether the earthworks and final ground levels will adversely affect an aquifer or an overland flow path or increase the potential risk of flooding within the site or surrounding sites.
- 25.8.9.4 The extent earthworks affect the risk of natural hazards and whether the risk is reduced or not increased.

25.8.10 Functional aspects and positive effects

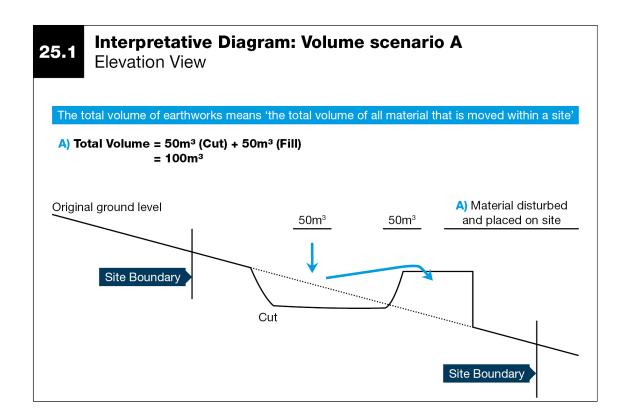
- 25.8.10.1 Whether the earthworks are necessary for the functional or operational requirements of infrastructure, including network utility installation, repair or maintenance.
- 25.8.10.2 The extent to which the earthworks facilitate future development otherwise provided for by the District Plan.
- 25.8.10.3 Whether the earthworks are associated with farming activities and will enhance operational efficiency including maintenance and improvement of track access, safety and fencing.

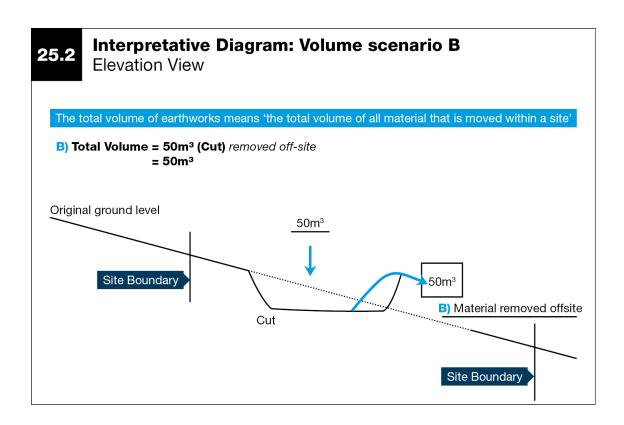
Rule 25.8.10.3 and relief sought	Appellant Court Number
Policy 25.8.10.3: Amend to also reference the operational efficiency of activities other than farming.	Queenstown Park Ltd ENV 2019 CHC 057 (consent order issued)

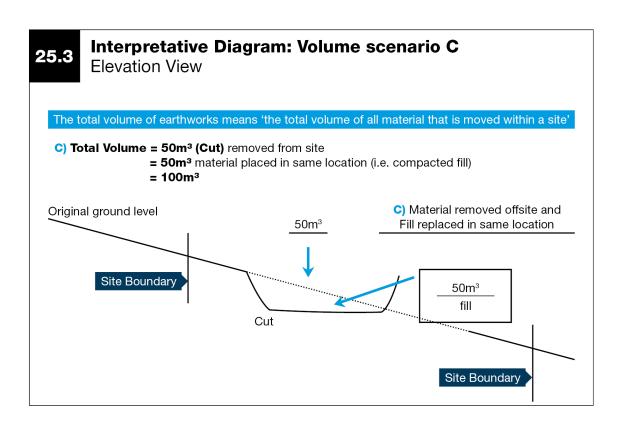
- 25.8.10.4 Whether the earthworks are for the purposes of a fire break and the extent of the fire break is necessary.
- 25.8.10.5 Whether the earthworks are for the purposes of public recreation trails that enhance recreational opportunities and access.

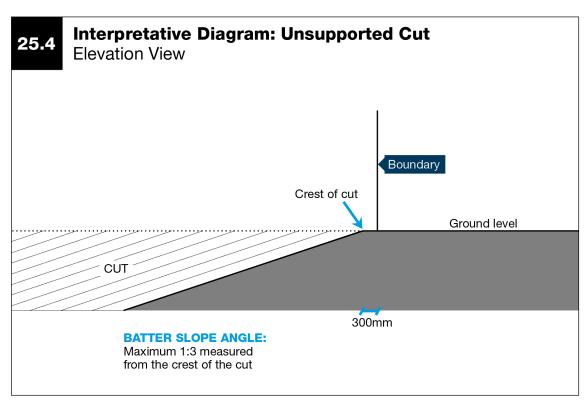
25.8.10.6 Whether the earthworks are necessary for the remediation of contaminated land and facilitate the efficient use of the land resource.

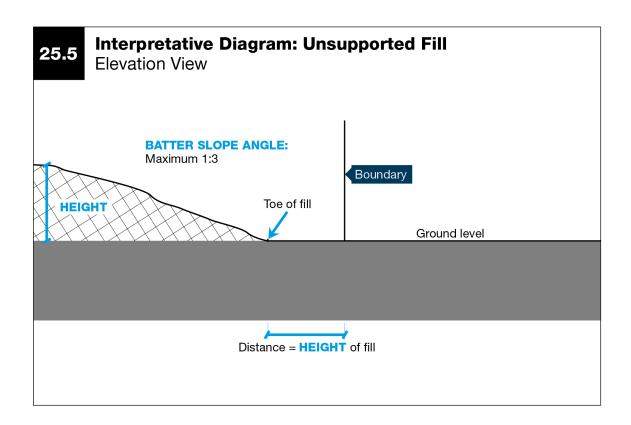
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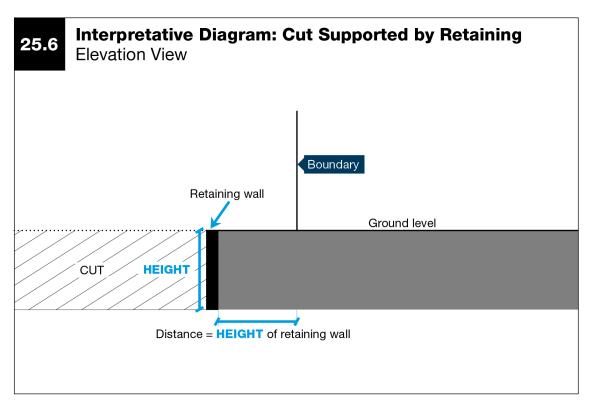


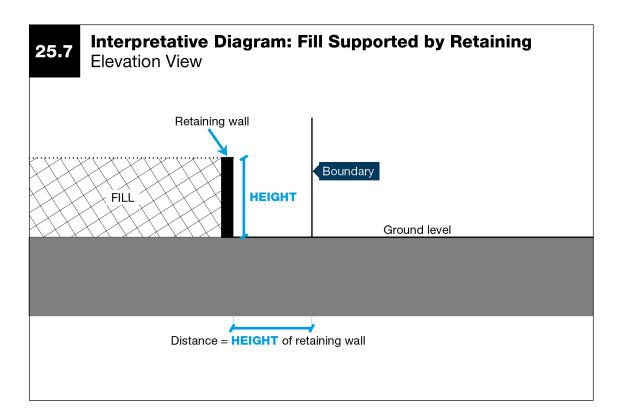












25.10 Schedule 25.10 Accidental Discovery Protocol

Earthworks shall be undertaken as follows:

Upon discovery of any material listed in Rule 25.5.14, the following steps shall be taken:

25.10.1 Cease works and secure the area

- 25.10.1.1 All works shall immediately cease within 20m of any part of the discovery, including shutting down all earth disturbing machinery and stopping all earth moving activities, and in the case of evidence of contaminated land applying controls to minimise discharge of contaminants into the environment.
- 25.10.1.2 The area of the discovery shall be secured, including a sufficient buffer area to ensure that all discovered material remains undisturbed.

25.10.2 Inform relevant authorities and agencies

- 25.10.2.1 The following parties shall be immediately informed of the discovery:
 - a. the New Zealand Police if the discovery is of human remains or koiwi;
 - b. the Council in all cases;
 - Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga if the discovery is an archaeological site,
 Māori cultural artefact, human remains or kōiwi;

d. Mana Whenua if the discovery is an archaeological site, Māori cultural artefact, or kōiwi.

25.10.3 Wait for and enable inspection of the site

- 25.10.3.1 All works shall cease and provision shall be made to enable the site to be inspected by the relevant authority or agency:
 - a. if the discovery is human remains or kōiwi, the New Zealand Police are required to investigate the human remains to determine whether they are those of a missing person or are a crime scene. The remainder of this process shall not apply until the New Zealand Police confirm that they have no further interest in the discovery; or
 - b. if the discovery is of other than evidence of contaminants, a site inspection for the purpose of initial assessment and response shall be arranged by the Council in consultation with Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga and appropriate Mana Whenua representatives; or
 - c. if the discovery is evidence of contaminants, a suitably qualified person shall complete an initial assessment and provide information to the Council on the assessment and response.

Following site inspection and consultation with all relevant parties, the directions of the Council, as to the area within which work must cease and any changes to controls on discharges of contaminants, shall be complied with, until the requirements of 25.10.4 are met.

25.10.4 Recommencement of work

- 25.10.4.1 Work within the area determined by the Council at e. shall only recommence when all of the following requirements, so far as relevant to the discovery, have been met:
 - a. Heritage New Zealand has confirmed that an archaeological authority has been approved for the work or that none is required;
 - b. any required notification under the Protected Objects Act 1975 has been made to the Ministry for Culture and Heritage;
 - c. the requirements of the National Environmental Standards for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health 2011 have been met;
 - d. any material of scientific or educational importance must be recorded and if appropriate recovered and preserved;
 - e. where the site is of Māori origin and an authority from Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga is not required the Council will confirm, in consultation with Mana Whenua, that:
 - (i) any kōiwi have either been retained where discovered or removed in accordance with the appropriate tikanga; and

- (ii) any agreed revisions to the planned works to be/have been made in order to address adverse effects on Māori cultural values.
- f. any necessary resource consent has been granted to any alteration or amendment to the earthworks or land disturbance that may be necessary to avoid the sensitive materials and that is not otherwise permitted under the Plan or allowed by any existing resource consent.
- g. there are no requirements in the case of archaeological sites that are not of Māori origin and are not covered by Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014.