Appendix 8

Landscape Categories

(1) This appendix contains indicative (but not determinative) maps showing the landscape categorisation of the rural areas of the district, namely the Outstanding Natural Landscapes and Features (District Wide), Outstanding Natural Landscape and Features (District wide), Outstanding Natural Landscapes of the Wakatipu Basin, Visual amenity Landscape and Other Rural Landscapes with respect to the relevant descriptions contained in Part 4 – District Wide Issues, 4.2.4 (2) and (3). The maps provide an important base for determining whether a site is in an Outstanding Natural Landscape or Visual Amenity Landscape but are subject to the specific physical circumstances of each site and the surrounding landscape, and the landscape descriptions as provided in the District wide Issues – 4.2.4 (2) and (3).

The weight to be given to the landscape category identified in Appendix 8 will be determined by the council, on a finding of fact, in considering a resource consent application. To do this, the Council must apply the tests in Part 5.

(2) The appendix also contains maps determining the position of the boundary in both the Wakatipu Basin and the inner upper Clutha (around Wanaka) between the Outstanding Natural Landscape and the Visual Amenity Landscapes contained within the Outstanding Natural Landscape.

(3) The maps relating to this appendix are contained in the District Plan Map folder.