IN THE MATTER of the Resource

Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER

of the Queenstown Lakes Proposed District Plan

HEARING PANEL QUESTIONS FOR Ms LUCAS

- The Upper Clutha Environmental Society Inc filed expert evidence from Ms Lucas, a landscape architect, in respect of the Hearing Stream 2 hearings. Ms Lucas was unable to attend the hearing on 6 May last. The Hearing Panel had a number of questions of Ms Lucas about her evidence. Mr Haworth agreed to pass our written questions on to Ms Lucas so that she could reply in writing.
- 2. Our questions are set out in the attached schedule. We request that Ms Lucas answer them concisely and file her answers with the Administrator (DP.Hearings@qldc.govt.nz) by 12 noon on Friday 20 May 2016.

For the Hearing Panel

Denis Nugent (Chair)

12 May 2016

Schedule - The Panel's Questions

General Question:

1 - Much of your evidence covers the exclusion of natural character and natural values in relation to landscapes throughout the policies and landscape assessment matters within Chapters 21 to 23 (in particular) in the PDP. If explicit reference to natural character and natural values was inserted (as is consistent with Part II of the RMA), would this satisfy your concern in relation to these parts of your evidence?

Questions Related to Specific Paragraphs:

Paragraph 30 – Last sentence - "However, for much of the Rural zone, farming is not appropriate."

- 2 In what way do farming activities contribute to the landscape being the way that is?
- 3 If farming is not appropriate in much of the rural zone, please identify those areas where it is and is not appropriate?
- 4 If farming not appropriate in much of the rural zone, what activities do envisage being appropriate in those areas?

Paragraph 47

5 – What do mean by "test"?

Paragraph 51

6 - Who is Scott Barr?

Paragraph 52 - last sentence

7 – "Assessing landscape as per the 4th Schedule" – please clarify what is meant by this?

Paragraph 53. ONL buffers.

- 8 Can you give us some examples of how 'buffer landscapes' can be identified and protected on the edges of ONL's?
- 9 Is it a standard off set, as you have referenced from the King Salmon case, or do we need another category of landscapes?

Paragraphs 54-55 – Rural Character.

10 - Are you able to help us by listing the elements you consider make up rural character?