



Viewpoint 1 Looking east from the Wanaka-Luggate Highway (SH84) from a point adjacent to the car park entry of Mt Iron Track

Proximity

A view from approximately 1000m from the site boundary. This is a slightly elevated view from the road and provides a low level oblique view across the adjacent 3 Parks land towards the Assessment Site.

Similar Viewpoints

This is a single view had by travellers heading west, as they leave Wanaka. The view from the opposite direction is more compressed.

Receptors of Views

Resident and visitor motorists. Mt Iron Track users that park at the car park on SH84. Walkers along SH84 (rare).

Visibility

The undulating terraces of the foreground 3 Parks land limit visibility, yet the Assessment Site's south boundary shelterbelt identifies the extent of the Assessment Site in the landscape and embankment earthworks are just visible at the rear of the Site.



Viewpoint 2 Looking south from the Mt Iron Track

Proximity

At 548m elevation (235m above the site) and approximately 1400m from the Assessment Site.

Similar Viewpoints

A deliberate view. The view is the destination of the Mt Iron Track.

Receptors of Views

Resident and visitor walkers.

Visibility

The majority of the land between the Assessment Site and the viewer (and beyond) is subject to development, as identified in the Revised Structure Plan. Across the Wanaka basin into the Criffel Range and Cardrona Valley to the south. North across Lake Wanaka to Ruby Island and Roys Peninsula. Clear outlines and colour are visible. Open green paddocks and shelterbelts surround the site, reflecting water is clearly visible across the site. Wanaka town rooftops and road network legible. The Criffel Range and Mt Alpha/Mt Roy peaks are silhouetted against the opposite skyline.



Viewpoint 3 Looking east along the length of Riverbank Road

Proximity

A local view approximately half a kilometre from the Assessment Site.

Similar Viewpoints

A relatively common view from Riverbank Road, looking in a northerly direction towards Mt Iron.

Receptors of Views

Residents and visitor motorists. Residential properties that line Riverbank Road above the Cardrona River.

Visibility

Views are made possible by the absence of vegetation along the road edge. Mt. Iron behind the shelterbelt which lines the southern boundary of the Assessment Site are the most evident features visible. The low-lying land and water surface are not visible.



Viewpoint 4 Looking north towards the site from Ballantyne/Faulks Road intersection, along the south-western boundary of the site across the Cardrona River

Proximity

A slightly elevated position allows view of paddock between shelterbelts, approximately 800m from southern boundary of the Assessment Site.

Similar Viewpoints

A glimpsed view from a regularly-used route into town. A similar but slightly elevated view is present further south along this road as it passes up and through the next river terrace.

Receptors of Views

Mostly resident motorists traveling north on Ballantyne Road.

Visibility

To the west, views are interrupted by roadside planting. The most visible elements are the terrace embankment north of the Assessment Site and the shelterbelts to the south of the Assessment Site and along the north-western boundary of the site.



Viewpoint5 Elevated view looking east from the upper terrace on Connell Terrace

Proximity

An elevated from the upper terrace, approximately 700m from the Assessment Site boundary.

Similar Viewpoints

A common view from the higher terrace to the west of Ballantyne Road within the Gordon Road Industrial Site.

Receptors of Views

Employees and general public frequenting these commercial premises.

Visibility

The slight elevation is sufficient to reveal the surface of the oxidation ponds, concealed from Ballantyne Road. Though now largely blocked by intervening industrial development. Mt Iron dominates the skyline beyond the photo to the left, while distant mountains are visible in behind on the northern side of the Clutha. Mt. Barker is clearly visible, as is the shelterbelt south of the Ponds Site



Viewpoint 6 Looking east from Cardrona Valley Road near Stone Street

Proximity

This view is approximately 1.3km from the Assessment Site boundary.

Similar Viewpoints

This view is similar to those available along the Cardrona Valley Road in the intermediate zone.

Receptors of Views

Resident and visitor motorists.

Visibility

The site is barely visible or distinguishable at this distance. Mt Iron is used to locate its location in the landscape - the shelterbelt south of the ponds is clearly visible.



Viewpoint 7 Looking towards the south-east from Scurr Heights Reserve

Proximity

An elevated view from a local high point within the reserve, approximately 1.4km from the Assessment Site boundary.

Similar Viewpoints

From the top of the reserve there are elevated views back towards the Assessment Site. This is the only point in the intermediate quadrant where this is possible, made feasible by a combination of elevation, falling foreground and absence of intervening vegetation.

Receptors of Views

Generally resident pedestrians.

Visibility

The Assessment Site is difficult to distinguish in this photograph which lies within the trees to the the bottom right of Mt. Iron. Parts of the site can just about be identified with great difficulty with the naked eye, amongst the trees.



Viewpoint 8 Looking west, towards the Assessment Site, from Morris Road

Proximity

An intermediate view approximately 2km from the Assessment Site boundary.

Similar Viewpoints

This view is the most prominent of a series of glimpsed views along Morris Road, traveling in a southerly direction. This view is available because Morris Road passes up and across the elevated terrace.

Receptors of Views

Generally resident motorists.

Visibility

Although substantially segmented by groups of pines and rows of Lombardy poplars, elements of the Assessment Site are clearly discernible as are fragmented views with traffic moving along Riverbank Road visible as well. Part of the existing Ballantyne Road is just visible to the naked eye amongst the trees.



Viewpoint 9 Looking north-west, towards the site and Wanaka township, from Mt Barker

Proximity

Approximately 3.5km from the site looking towards the north. The 596m elevation permits views of the Wanaka basin and across Lake Wanaka.

Similar Viewpoints

A deliberate view that are had from a private path across private land.

Receptors of Views

Mt Barker is privately owned; permission to walk the track is permitted by the land owner through DOC contact.

Visibility

Elevated and panoramic views are obtained from the eastern side of the summit. This view is expansive and important views across the valley to the lake and township revealing the Assessment Site in its wider context. This view includes much of the Revised Structure Plan development proposals between Mt Alpha foothills and Mt Iron.



Viewpoint 13 Looking north-east from Orchard Rd

Proximity

This view is had approximately 1.2km from the Assessment Site boundary.

Similar Viewpoints

Typical of many glimpses along 800m of Orchard Road between Riverbank and Cardrona Valley Roads.

Receptors of Views

Resident motorists.

Visibility

This distant view is possible by the absence of vegetation across the land between Ballantyne and Orchard Road. At this distance there is a partial glimpse of the tops of one of the boundary trees within the Site on Ballantyne Road.