

**Submission Form 16 to the Otago Regional Council on consent applications**

This is a Submission on (a) limited notified/publicly notified resource consent application/s pursuant to the Resource Management Act 1991.

**Submitter Details:**

(please print clearly)

Full Name/s: Ngaio Hart

Postal Address:

Post Code:

Phone number: Business:

Private:

Mobile:

Email address:

I/ we wish to **SUPPORT** / **OPPOSE** / submit a **NEUTRAL** submission on (circle one) the application of:

Applicant's Name: Peter Hall

And/or Organisation: Cold Gold Clutha Limited

Application Number: RM 22.434

Location: 30 Hunt Street, Dunedin

Purpose: Dredging for gold on the Upper Clutha River

The specific parts of the application/s that my submission relates to are: (Give details)

The entire submission

My/Our submission is (include: whether you support or oppose the application or specific parts of it, whether you are neutral regarding the application or specific parts of it and the reasons for your views).

I oppose the application as I think we need to protect our rivers for humans to enjoy and recreate and enjoy nature, and also protect all the all the species that the river supports. Rivers are precious. We need to protect them. The idea of dredging the riverbed is horrific. Imagine the complete destruction of ecosystems that will create and the affect on water quality – which must have a flow on affect to critters that live in the river. Imagine a big dredge ripping through your home. Very uncool!

But seriously, we need to be protecting our waterways not destroying and/or degrading them. So I oppose the application in terms of the potential environmental impact.

I also oppose the application in terms of the visual impact of a big dredge on the river which lessens the wilderness experience for river users such as kayakers, swimmers, divers etc. Rivers are a place to get away and enjoy nature. A big dredge on the river will change this experience.

I also oppose the application based on the potential affects on water quality.

This dredge has two Detroit Diesel TWO STROKE main propulsion engines. The vessel has wet exhausts that mix the engine exhaust gas with engine cooling water that is then discharged directly into the river.

Detroit Diesel no longer manufactures these engines due to their negative environmental impact. They are no longer certified to operate in many parts of Europe and North America. Two stroke diesel engines produce a lot more pollution due to the fuel air mix being contaminated by the engine lubrication oil. Two stroke engines emit around ten times more pollution when compared to four stroke engines.

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I/We seek the following decision from the consent authority (*give precise details, including the general nature of any conditions sought*)

That it be declined in full and that there is no permission given for a dredge on the Upper Clutha river and no disturbance to the riverbed.

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I/we:

- Wish to be heard in support of our/my submission  
 Not wish to be heard in support of our/my submission

If others make a similar submission, I/we will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.

- Yes  
 No

I, am/am not (choose one) a trade competitor\* of the applicant (for the purposes of Section 308B of the Resource Management Act 1991).

*\*If trade competitor chosen, please complete the next statement, otherwise leave blank.*

I, am/am not (choose one) directly affected by an effect as a result of the proposed activity in the application that: (as a river user)

- a) adversely affects the environment; and  
b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

I, do/~~do not~~ (choose one) wish to be involved in any pre-hearing meeting that may be held for this application.

I **do/do not** request\* that the local authority delegates its functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to 1 or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority.

I have/~~have not~~ served a copy of my submission on the applicant.



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**Signature/s of submitter/s**  
*(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter/s)*

23/06/2023

(Date)

### **Notes to the submitter**

If you are making a submission to the Environmental Protection Authority, you should use [form 16B](#).

The closing date for serving submissions on the consent authority is the 20th working day after the date on which public or limited notification is given. If the application is subject to limited notification, the consent authority may adopt an earlier closing date for submissions once the consent authority receives responses from all affected persons.

You must serve a copy of your submission on the applicant as soon as is reasonably practicable after you have served your submission on the consent authority.

**Privacy:** Please note that submissions are public. Your name and submission will be included in papers that are available to the media and the public, including publication on the Council website. Your submission will only be used for the purpose of the notified resource consent process

If you are a trade competitor, your right to make a submission may be limited by the trade competition provisions in [Part 11A](#) of the Resource Management Act 1991.

If you make a request under [section 100A](#) of the Resource Management Act 1991, you must do so in writing no later than 5 working days after the close of submissions and you may be liable to meet or contribute to the costs of the hearings commissioner or commissioners.

You may not make a request under section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991 in relation to an application for a coastal permit to carry out an activity that a regional coastal plan describes as a restricted coastal activity.

Please note that your submission (or part of your submission) may be struck out if the authority is satisfied that at least 1 of the following applies to the submission (or part of the submission):

- it is frivolous or vexatious:
- it discloses no reasonable or relevant case:
- it would be an abuse of the hearing process to allow the submission (or the part) to be taken further:
- it contains offensive language:
- it is supported only by material that purports to be independent expert evidence, but has been prepared by a person who is not independent or who does not have sufficient specialised knowledge or skill to give expert advice on the matter.

The address for service for the Consent Authority is:

**Otago Regional Council, Private Bag 1954, Dunedin, 9054**  
or by email to [submissions@orc.govt.nz](mailto:submissions@orc.govt.nz)