

Before Queenstown Lakes District Council

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In the matter of            The Resource Management Act 1991

And                            The Queenstown Lakes District Proposed District Plan Topic 12  
Upper Clutha Mapping

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**SUMMARY STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE OF DUNCAN WHITE FOR**

Sunnyheights Limited (previous submitter Crosshill Farm Limited (#531))

Dated 9 June 2017

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## **SUMMARY**

- 1 My name is Duncan Lawrence White. I am a planner with Paterson Pitts Limited Partnership based in Wanaka. I produced planning evidence on the Proposed District Plan on behalf of Sunnyheights Limited (previous submitter Crosshill Farm Limited (#531)). The following is a summary of that evidence and a response to issues raised in rebuttal evidence.
- 2 Of the four submission points contained in submission #531 only one remains in contention. That point relates to the location of the boundary between the areas identified as Rural Landscape Classification (RLC) and Outstanding Natural Landscape (ONL) or Outstanding Natural Feature (ONF) around the confluence of the Clutha and Hawea Rivers and extending into the south-eastern tip of the submission site. There is a difference between the submitter's landscape architect (Mr Espie) and Council's landscape architect (Ms Mellsop) on the location of the landscape boundary classifications in this area and whether this area of the submission site should be categorised as RLC (as proposed by Mr Espie) or whether this is part of a Clutha and Hawea River confluence ONL (as proposed by Ms Mellsop).
- 3 Mr Barr's S42A report - Strategic Overview and Common Themes evidence (at para 19.5) identifies the methodology for the identification and mapping of the boundaries of ONLs and ONFs as being that set out in section 4 of Dr Read's evidence to the Rural Hearing. I also note (as does Mr Barr also at para 19.5) that Ms Mellsop at paras 4.4 and 4.5 considers this methodology to be appropriate.
- 4 Mr Espie uses these criteria and describes the characteristics of the confluence of the Clutha and Hawea Rivers to justify his conclusion that the area of the confluence forms part of an ONF and that the top of the closest river escarpment forms the boundary between the ONF and the RLC in the area around the submission site.
- 5 Mr Barr's rebuttal evidence at para 21.2 does not analyse Mr Espie's position put forward in evidence in chief, or the assessment behind it, but only concludes that his assessment has not changed between the evidence in chief and the rebuttal evidence.

**Dated this 9th day of June 2017**

**Duncan White**

