BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT OF NEW ZEALAND CHRISTCHURCH REGISTRY

I MUA I TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA KI ŌTAUUTAHI

ENV-2018-CHC-0040

UNDER the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER OF on an appeal under clause 14 of

Schedule 1 of the RMA in relation to

Decisions on the Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan

BETWEEN ROYAL FOREST AND BIRD

PROTECTION SOCIETY OF

NEW ZEALAND INC

Appellant

AND SOUTHLAND REGIONAL

COUNCIL

Respondent

MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL ON BEHALF OF THE ROYAL FOREST AND BIRD PROTECTION SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND INC REGARDING WITHDRAWAL OF APPEAL POINTS

Dated this 28th day of June 2021

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MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT:

- 1. This memorandum is filed on behalf of the Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Inc (**Forest & Bird**).
- 2. Forest & Bird is an appellant regarding provisions on the Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan (**pSWLP**). Forest & Bird has attended all Environment Court facilitated mediation on matters within Topic B. Because of discussions between parties and Southland Regional Council, Forest & Bird seeks to withdraw its appeal on the following provisions:
 - a. Policy 13 Topic B2 Issue 2 regarding the inclusion of the word 'sustainable' in Policy 13.
 - b. Rule 52 Topic B6 (Infrastructure) Issue 13 regarding the non-complying status or not in Rule 52.
- 3. Forest & Bird respectfully seeks leave to withdraw its interests on the pSWLP as set out above in paragraph 2.
- 4. Forest & Bird understands that no party has any issues with the withdrawal of the above appeal points, including as to costs.

Dated this 28th day of June 2021.

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Sally Gepp

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