## 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** SOUTHLAND FISH AND GAME

COUNCIL

Appellant

AND SOUTHLAND REGIONAL

COUNCIL

Respondent

## MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL ON BEHALF OF SOUTHLAND FISH AND GAME COUNCIL REGARDING WITHDRAWAL OF APPEAL POINT

Dated this 18th day of February 2022

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## MAY IT PLEASE THE COURT:

- 1. This memorandum is filed on behalf of Southland Fish and Game Council (**Fish** and Game).
- 2. Fish and Game is an appellant regarding provisions on the Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan (**pSWLP**).
- 3. Fish and Game seeks to withdraw its appeal point on Rule 5, which sought the insertion of the additional clause: "the discharge is not into any Regionally Significant Wetland or Sensitive Waterbodies listed in Appendix A."
- 4. This relief was included in Fish & Game's preferred relief in November 2021 when the scope of matters agreed at mediation remained uncertain in some respects. However, Mr Farrell's evidence for Fish and Game and Forest and Bird did not address Rule 5, and no change was included in his consolidated track changes in Appendix 1 to his Evidence in Chief.
- 5. No party has produced evidence in response, except for Mr McCallum Clark, whose evidence stated that the primary reason for Council not agreeing to this change is uncertainty in the scope of the submission and appeal points to the Rule, and that this would be further addressed in Council's legal submissions.

Dated this 18th day of February 2022

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