

Our Reference: A942104

DISCHARGE PERMIT

Pursuant to Section 104B of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Otago Regional Council grants consent to:

Name: Oceana Gold (New Zealand) Limited

Address: 22 MacLaggan Street, Dunedin

To discharge silt and sediment to water for the purpose of constructing the Coronation North Waste Rock Stack

For a term expiring 1 October 2026

Location of consent activity: Macraes Gold Project, approximately 6.5 kilometres to the northwest of the intersection of Macraes Road and Red Bank Road, Macraes Flat.

Legal description of consent location: Pt Section 2 Blk V Highlay SD, Pt Section 2 Blk VII Highlay SD

Map Reference: Within a 1 kilometre radius of NZTM 2000: E1395457
N4978458

Conditions

Specific

1. This consent shall be exercised together with Land Use Consent RM16.138.01, Discharge Permit RM16.138.04, Discharge Permit RM16.138.05, Discharge Permit RM16.138.09, Water Permit RM16.138.20 and any subsequent variations to these consents.
2. The discharge shall occur within and immediately downstream of the area marked Coronation North Waste Rock Stack shown on Appendix I attached.
3. No contaminants other than silt and sediment shall be discharged.
4. The consent holder shall take all practicable steps to minimise the release of sediment into water.

Performance Monitoring

5. (a) Prior to exercise of this consent, the consent holder shall submit to the Consent Authority an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan for the Coronation Waste Rock Stack. The Erosion and Sediment Control Plan and plan requirements shall not be of a standard less than that required by the latest revision of the Environment Canterbury document "Erosion and Sediment Control Guideline", except that the catchment of sediment retention ponds shall not exceed 20 ha. The design, construction and operation of all sediment retention ponds shall ensure that no outflow to downstream receiving waters results from any sediment retention pond arising from a rainfall depth of 70 mm or less from a particular storm event. The Erosion and Sediment Control Plan shall include, but not be limited to:

- i) General arrangement details of the design and location of all erosion and sediment control devices including final details of all catchments and sub-catchments of all works related to erosion and sediment control within the Coronation North Project area;
- ii) Key responsibilities relating to implementation of the plan;
- iii) Construction details and specifications of all proposed erosion and sediment control measures e.g. including but not limited to details of all drains and ponds associated with erosion and sediment control and surface water management;
- iv) A construction timetable and details of necessary staging;
- v) Maintenance, monitoring and reporting procedures (e.g. including but not limited to details of parameters to be measured, frequency of monitoring, monitoring locations and corrective actions to be implemented in the event that test results are inconsistent with monitoring requirements and/or cross reference to the Water Quality Management Plan and Compliance and Monitoring Schedule that otherwise provide for all such requirements);
- vi) Emergency response procedures, including response procedures for flood events and silt pond dam failure scenarios; and
- vii) Certification from a chartered professional engineer that the proposed erosion and sediment control measures comply with the conditions of the consent.

(b) The consent holder shall exercise this consent in accordance with the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan.

(c) Not less than three weeks prior to the commencement of soil disturbance, the consent holder shall submit to Consent Authority for acceptance the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan. The works shall not proceed until the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan is accepted by the Consent Authority. If required by Consent Authority, the consent holder shall amend the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan prior to acceptance by the Consent Authority. The consent holder shall exercise this consent in accordance with the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan.

(d) The consent holder shall review the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan annually and if necessary, update it. Details of the review shall be included in the Project Overview and Annual Work and Rehabilitation Plan required by Discharge Permits RM16.138.05 and RM16.138.09. The Consent Authority shall be provided with any updates of the plan within 1 month of any update occurring.

6. (a) Prior to the exercise of this consent, the consent holder shall submit to the Consent Authority, a Water Quality Management Plan for the Coronation North project. The Water Quality Management Plan shall be in accordance with the conditions of this consent, and include but not be limited to:
 - i) Details of surface water and groundwater quality monitoring within the Mare Burn catchment, including location and frequency and parameters to be measured;
 - ii) Identification of monitoring results that would trigger the requirement for a comprehensive review of water quality to determine whether additional mitigation measures should be adopted to ensure appropriate surface water and groundwater quality;
 - iii) A description of mitigation measures implemented or available during the operational period of the Coronation North Project;
 - iv) A description of mitigation measures implemented or available post closure of the Coronation North Project; and

- v) A timeline detailing when it is anticipated that mitigation measures may be required and providing an indication of implementation timeframes.
- vi) Provision to monitor suspended particulates by way of the total suspended solids (TSS) and Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) parameters. Limits for both parameters shall be included in the Water Quality Management Plan no later than five years following exercise of the consent.
- (b) The Water Quality Management Plan for this consent may be combined with any Water Quality Management Plan required by any other consent held by the consent holder for mining operations at Macraes Flat so long as all conditions of this consent are met.
- (c) The consent holder shall exercise this consent in accordance with the Water Quality Management Plan.
- (d) The consent holder shall review the Water Quality Management Plan annually and, if necessary, update it. Details of the review shall be included in the Project Overview and Annual Work and Rehabilitation Plan required by Discharge Permit Discharge Permits RM16.138.05 and RM16.138.09. The Consent Authority shall be provided with any updates of the plan within 1 month of any update occurring.

General

- 7. No lawful take of water is to be adversely affected as a result of any discharge.
- 8. The Consent Authority may, within 6 months of receipt of the Cultural Impact Assessment; serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purpose of amending or adding conditions to address mitigation of the effect of the Coronation North Project on cultural values and associations. All costs associated with any such review shall be borne by the consent holder.
- 9. The Consent Authority may, within 6 months of receipt of the Coronation North Project Addendum to the MPIII Cultural Impact Assessment prepared by Kai Tahu ki Otago on behalf of Te Runanga o Moeraki, Te Runanga o Otakou and Kati Huirapa Runaka ki Puketeraki, commissioned in 2016, serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purpose of amending or adding conditions to address mitigation of the effect(s) of the exercise of this consent on cultural values and associations. All costs associated with such review shall be borne by the consent holder.
- 10. (a) The consent holder shall provide and maintain in favour of the Consent Authority one or more bonds to secure:
 - i) The performance and completion of rehabilitation in accordance with the conditions of this consent; and
 - ii) The carrying out of the monitoring required by the conditions of this consent; and
 - iii) The remediation of any adverse effect on the environment that may arise from the exercise of this consent.
 - iv) Compliance with Conditions 10(m) to 10(q) of this consent.
- (b) Before the first exercise of this consent, the consent holder shall provide to the Consent Authority one or more bonds required by Condition 10(a).
- (c) Subject to the other provisions of this consent, any bond shall be in the form and on the terms and conditions approved by the Consent Authority.
- (d) Any bond shall be given or guaranteed by a surety acceptable to the Consent Authority.

(e) The surety shall bind itself to pay for the carrying out and completion of the conditions of consent which are the subject of the bond on default by the consent holder or the occurrence of any adverse environment effect requiring remedy; during or after the expiry of this consent.

(f) The amount of each bond shall be fixed annually by the Consent Authority which will take into account any calculations and other matters submitted by the consent holder relevant to the determination of the amount to be bonded in the Project Overview and Annual Work and Rehabilitation Plan required for by condition 15 of RM16.138.02, condition 6 of RM16.138.05, condition 8 of RM16.138.06, condition 10 of RM16.138.10, condition 8 of RM16.138.17 and RM16.138.18.

(g) The amount of the bond(s) shall include:

i) The estimated costs of complete rehabilitation in accordance with the conditions of consent on the completion of the mining operations proposed for the next year and described in the Project Overview and Annual Work and Rehabilitation Plan.

ii) The estimated costs of:

- Monitoring in accordance with the monitoring conditions of the consent;
- Monitoring for and of any adverse effect of the activity authorised by this consent which may become apparent during or after expiry of this consent;
- Monitoring any rehabilitation required by this consent.

iii) Any further sum which the Consent Authority considers necessary for monitoring and dealing with any adverse effect on the environment that may arise from the exercise of the consent whether during or after the expiry of this consent.

(h) The amount shall be calculated for the duration of this consent and for a period of 20 years after its expiry.

(i) If, on review, the total amount of bond to be provided by the consent holder is greater or less than the sum secured by the current bond(s), the consent holder, surety and the Consent Authority may, in writing, vary the amount of the bond(s).

(j) While the liability of the surety is limited to the amount of the bond(s), the liability of the consent holder is unlimited.

(k) Any bond may be varied, cancelled, or renewed at any time by written agreement between the consent holder, surety and Consent Authority.

(l) The costs (including the costs of the Consent Authority) of providing, maintaining, varying and reviewing any bond shall be paid by the consent holder.

(m) For a period of 20 years from the expiry or surrender of this consent the consent holder shall provide in favour of the Consent Authority one or more bonds.

(n) The amount of the bond to be provided under Condition 10(m) shall include the amount (if any) considered by the Consent Authority necessary for:

i) Completing rehabilitation in accordance with the conditions of this consent.

ii) Monitoring for and of any adverse effect on the environment that may arise from the exercise of the consent.

iii) Monitoring any measures taken to prevent, remedy or mitigate any adverse effect on the environment that may arise from the exercise of this consent.

iv) Dealing with any adverse effect on the environment which may become apparent after the surrender or expiry of this consent.

- v) Contingencies.
- (o) Without limitation, the amount secured by the bond given under Condition 10(m) may include provision to deal with structural instability or failure, land and water contamination, and the failure of rehabilitation in terms of the rehabilitation objectives and conditions of this consent. Costs shall include costs of investigating, preventing, remedying or mitigating any adverse effect.
- (p) The bond(s) required by Condition 10(m) must be provided on the earlier of:
 - i) 12 months before the expiry of this consent.
 - ii) Three months before the surrender of this consent.
- (q) Conditions 10(c), (d), (e), (h), (i), (j) and (k) apply to the bond(s) required by Condition 10(m).

11. The Consent Authority may, in accordance with Sections 128 and 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, serve notice on the consent holder of its intention to review the conditions of this consent within three months of each anniversary of the commencement of this consent, for the purpose of:
 - (a) determining whether the conditions of this consent are adequate to deal with any adverse effect on the environment which may arise from the exercise of the consent and which it is appropriate to deal with at a later stage, or which become evident after the date of commencement of the consent; or
 - (b) ensuring the conditions of this consent are consistent with any National Environmental Standards; or
 - (c) requiring the consent holder to adopt the best practicable option, in order to remove or reduce any adverse effect on the environment arising as a result of the exercise of this consent.

Appendix I RM16.138.03

