## TRANSPORTATION REVIEW

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APPENDICES

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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Dear Andrew

#### Waterfall Park: Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road Access

Following your request, we have prepared a preliminary assessment of the access requirements onto Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road for the proposed Waterfall Park subdivision development.

### 1. Proposed Development

Based on the plans provided, we understand that a new subdivision to be called "Waterfall Park" is proposed north of Speargrass Flat Road and west of Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road. The subdivision will create about 150 new residential lots which will be accessed via a new intersection on Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road about 160m north of the Speargrass Flat Road intersection. The existing homestead will be maintained on a separate access and title.

#### 2. Existing Transport Environment

State Highway 6 (SH6) represents the main strategic road in the area linking Wanaka to the north with Queenstown (via State Highway 6A) to the south. Arrowtown is located about 2km north of the Waterfall Park site along Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road. Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road represents the shortest route between Arrowtown and Queenstown via SH6 and is classified as an Arterial Road within the Queenstown Lakes District Plan. Arterial Roads are defined as dominant elements of the transport network connecting major settlements within the district and are managed to minimise their local access function.

North of Speargrass Flat Road, Arrowtown-Lakes Hayes Road has been constructed as a rural two lane carriageway with 3.6m wide traffic lanes and 0.4m wide shoulders. The road reserve is about 20m wide and has a grassed berm on the western side of the road. There is a drainage ditch along the eastern side of the road. Arrowtown-Lakes Hayes Road has a straight and generally level alignment along the site frontage with a speed limit of 70km/h.

Photograph 1 shows a power line running along the western side of the road in the vicinity of subdivision site. The power poles are 2.0-2.5m from the edge of the sealed carriageway. Photograph 2 shows the ditch along the eastern boundary of the road reserve.



Photograph 1: View North on Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road from Proposed Intersection Location



Photograph 2: View South on Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road from Proposed Intersection Location

Speargrass Flat Road meets Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road at a priority controlled cross-roads intersection with Hogans Gully Road. The shoulders of Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road have been widened on the approaches to the intersection to accommodate turning movements and provide space for through traffic to pass turning vehicles.

Traffic count information obtained from QLDC indicates that the average daily traffic volume on Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road north of SH6 was about 3,400 vehicle movements per day (vpd) in November 2013. Current traffic volumes would be expected to be about 3,600vpd based on an average annual growth rate of 2% per annum. The peak period was 5:00pm to 6:00pm with a peak hourly volume of about 300 vehicles per hour (vph). It has been noted



that traffic volumes during the winter season are significantly lower than during the summer. A traffic count in July 2015 recorded an average daily traffic volume of about 2,400vpd south of Speargrass Flat Road.

### 3. Expected Traffic Generation and Distribution

The concept subdivision plan shows 142 residential lots but it is understood that up to 150 lots could be created. The average daily traffic generation of the subdivision with 150 lots would be expected to be about 1,200vpd based on an average traffic generation rate of eight vpd per household. The NZTA Research Report No 453 "Trips and Parking Related to Land Use" indicates that the median peak hour traffic generation rate for rural residential activity is 1.1vph per dwelling. On this basis, the subdivision could generate about 165vph during the morning and evening peak hours.

In the morning commuter peak period, about 80% of all vehicle movements generated by the site would be expected to be outbound with the majority being towards workplaces and other activities within the wider Queenstown area. In the evening, about 65% of movements would be expected to be into the subdivision again with the majority originating from the Queenstown area.

The following table provides an indication of the expected turning volumes in the morning and evening peak hours based on 75% of movements being to / from Queenstown.

Period	Left-out	Right-out	Left-in	Right-in
AM	30	100	25	10
PM	15	45	75	30

Table 1: Indicative Movement Patterns at New Intersection on Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road

An investigation of the expected intersection performance with these traffic volumes indicates that it will operate with a high level of service.

#### 4. Intersection Configuration

The industry-standard Austroads Guide to Road Design Part 4A provides warrants for turn treatments at unsignalised intersections. Based on the holiday season traffic volumes on Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road and the forecast turning volumes at the subdivision access, the warrants for basic left and right turn treatments would be met in the evening peak period and channelized treatments are therefore preferred. On this basis, it is recommended that the intersection be designed to include a right turn bay and left turn deceleration lane. The existing road reserve 20m width will be sufficient to accommodate the road widening required to accommodate the additional lanes, to about 14m excluding shoulders. This represents a higher standard of intersection design than is currently provided at the Speargrass Flat Road / Hogans Gully Road but reflects the higher peak hour traffic volumes that would be expected with the subdivision.

Since Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road is generally straight, no issues are anticipated with providing adequate sight lines at the intersection. Photographs 1 and 2 show that sight distances in excess of 200m are available which is appropriate for the operating speed.

The power poles on the western side of the Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road represent a safety hazard because of their proximity to the carriageway. It is recommended that the poles are



moved away from the carriageway when the new intersection is constructed. Similarly, the ditch on the eastern side of the road will also represent a hazard because of its proximity to the road when the new intersection is formed. It is recommended that the ditch is replaced by an underground pipe in the vicinity of the intersection.

The proposed location of the new intersection some 160m north of the Speargrass Flat Road intersection represents about seven seconds of travel time based on an operating speed of 80km/h. This is considered to be adequate to prevent any driver confusion and also provide sufficient space for appropriate advanced warning signage to be provided.

Since the subdivision is located off the bus route between Arrowtown and Queenstown, it is recommended that provision for bus stops is included as part of the intersection design. A footpath will also be required to link the bus stops with the residential development.

TDG has prepared a concept design for the new intersection based on the following design parameters:

- Comfortable deceleration distance for an operating speed of 80km/h is 100m;
- Right turn bay storage length of 20m;
- Right turn bay width of 3.5m;
- Taper length of 25m;
- Wide sealed shoulder areas to the north side of the intersection with sufficient space for a bus to stop.

The preliminary intersection design has been based on a 5.5m wide subdivision road with 1m wide shoulders to align with the recommended road cross-section for rural residential development set out in NZS4404:2010. The concept plan also shows a 2m wide footpath on the northern side of the road that would be suitable for low volume shared use with cyclists.

#### 5. Conclusions

Following this preliminary assessment, it has been concluded that:

- The proposed intersection location provides adequate separation from other intersections;
- (ii) The proposed development should be supported by an intersection constructed with a right turn bay and left turn deceleration lane;
- (iii) Power poles on the western side of Arrowtown-Lake Hayes Road should be relocated to increase clearance from the carriageway;
- (iv) The ditch on the eastern boundary should be replaced by an underground pipe; and,
- (v) Adequate sight distances can be provided to allow safe and efficient operation of the new intersection.

We trust that this report provides the information that you require but we would be happy to discuss any matters raised as necessary.

Yours sincerely

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enc: Subdivision Concept Plan

Intersection Concept Design

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# Lot 1 Lot 1 Lot 2 Lot 2

288 m<sup>2</sup> Lots
Lot 4 - 51 288 m<sup>2</sup>

450-650 m² Lots
Lot 52 512 m² Lot 72 407 m²
Lot 53 634 m² Lot 73 408 m²
Lot 54 556 m² Lot 74 445 m²
Lot 55 596 m² Lot 76 451 m²
Lot 55 528 m² Lot 76 451 m²
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Lot 56 528 m² Lot 77 9 482 m²
Lot 58 544 m² Lot 78 530 m²
Lot 59 475 m² Lot 79 482 m²
Lot 65 550 m² Lot 81 616 m²
Lot 61 457 m² Lot 81 616 m²
Lot 62 589 m² Lot 83 510 m²
Lot 63 596 m² Lot 83 510 m²
Lot 64 526 m² Lot 84 605 m²
Lot 65 574 m² Lot 86 450 m²
Lot 66 656 m² Lot 86 450 m²
Lot 67 645 m² Lot 88 471 m²
Lot 68 758 m² Lot 88 471 m²
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Lot 69 762 m² Lot 88 479 m²
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Lot 70 517 m² Lot 90 472 m²
Lot 71 532 m²

1000m² Lotts
Lot 91 1000 m² Lot 109 1054 m²
Lot 92 1011 m² Lot 110 1163 m²
Lot 93 1000 m² Lot 111 1295 m²
Lot 94 970 m² Lot 112 1114 m²
Lot 95 1000 m² Lot 113 1034 m²
Lot 96 1142 m² Lot 114 1165 m²
Lot 97 927 m² Lot 115 1141 m²
Lot 98 1744 m² Lot 116 1120 m²
Lot 199 870 m² Lot 117 1114 m²
Lot 109 950 m² Lot 118 1416 m²
Lot 101 1017 m² Lot 119 1361 m²
Lot 102 1014 m² Lot 120 1278 m²
Lot 103 1013 m² Lot 121 1034 m²
Lot 104 1013 m² Lot 122 1012 m²
Lot 105 1013 m² Lot 122 1012 m²
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Lot 107 950 m² Lot 124 1066 m²
Lot 107 950 m² Lot 125 952 m²
Lot 108 1088 m² Lot 126 1062 m²

4000 m<sup>2</sup> Lots
Lot 127 114567m<sup>2</sup> Lot 134 6273 m<sup>2</sup>
Lot 128 4839 m<sup>2</sup> Lot 135 4035 m<sup>2</sup>
Lot 139 4989 m<sup>2</sup> Lot 136 4104 m<sup>2</sup>
Lot 130 4034 m<sup>2</sup> Lot 137 4014 m<sup>2</sup>
Lot 131 4078 m<sup>2</sup> Lot 138 4000 m<sup>2</sup>
Lot 132 4872 m<sup>2</sup> Lot 139 4008 m<sup>2</sup>
Lot 133 6222 m<sup>2</sup> Lot 140 5020 m<sup>2</sup>

////// Rural Covenant 1

////// Rural Covenant 2

//// Rural Covenant 3

Residential Covenant

Mill Creek Esplanade

Open Space



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WATERFALL PARK
CONCEPT INTERSECTION DESIGN

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