

Item 2: Temporary Road Closure Application – Motatapu 2023

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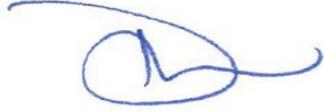
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Saturday, March 4, 2023

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Period of Closure: 0500 to 1200

| | Prepared by: | Reviewed and Authorised by: |
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| Name | Madhulika Puri | David Wallace |
| Position | Subdivision Officer | Manager, Resource Management Engineering |
| Signature |  |  |
| Date | 24 January 2023 | 27 January 2023 |

REPORT CONTENT & ATTACHMENTS | NGA TAPIRIHANGA

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| 1. | Officer Report |
| 2. | Map Showing Extent of Temporary Road Closure |
| 3. | Cover Letter |
| 4. | Glendhu Bay Parking |

Attachment 1 - Motatapu temporary road closure report

Council Report

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Wānaka Community Board
16/02/2023

Report for Agenda Item | Ripoata mot e Rāraki take : 1

Department: Planning & Development

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| Madhulika Puri Subdivision Officer 24/01/2023 | David Wallace Manager for Resource Management Engineering 27/01/2023 |

CONTEXT | HORPOAKI

- 5 The iconic Motatapu off-road sporting event is held annually in March in Arrowtown and Wānaka, traversing Motatapu, Soho and Glencoe Stations. The event has been successfully running for the past 17 years and includes several different off road races, usually attracting participants from New Zealand and overseas.
- 6 This popular sporting event will take place on Saturday 4 March 2023 with the Mountain Bike, Ultra Run and Off-Road Marathon events all starting at Glendhu Bay and ending in Arrowtown at Wilcox Green. The final event is the Miners Trial, which is a mountain loop race that starts and ends in Wilcox Green in Arrowtown.
- 7 The Council can close roads to vehicular traffic for events by using provisions of the Local Government Act 1974. The Chief Executive as delegated authority is delegated to consider applications to temporarily close roads under this legislation.

ANALYSIS AND ADVICE | TATĀRITANGA ME NGĀ TOHUTOHU

- 8 The Motatapu event will be held on Saturday 4 March 2023.
- 9 In 2023, it is anticipated that approximately 4,000 athletes will participate across six events.
- 10 There are pre and post event transport options offered to participants and the Marathon event includes a free shuttle from Wānaka to the start of the race.
- 11 Parking at the Glendhu Bay start line is available at Glendhu Station (Attachment C) and will be managed by Southern Safety with support from volunteers.
- 12 Temporary notification signage will be installed at the entrances to the closures at least one week prior to the closures being in place.
- 13 Rubbish and recycling stations will be provided at Wilcox Green at Arrowtown, along the Macetown Road and Lower Buckingham Street, and throughout the car parks and start line areas along Motatapu Road.
- 14 Motatapu are continuing their work with the Queenstown Trails Trust, the Official Charity Partner, with \$7 of every entry going towards the ongoing maintenance and development of trails within the Wakatipu Basin.
- 15 A standard requirement of all temporary road closure approval is that a Traffic Management Plan is approved before the roads are closed. This will ensure that all traffic and pedestrian flows are managed with appropriate signage, barriers and wardens. Southern Safety Services Limited are preparing the Traffic Management Plan which will be submitted to the QLDC Road Corridor Engineer for approval.
- 16 Council Engineers have been consulted and they are satisfied with the proposed closures with the recommended conditions in place.

17 Road closures for this event have occurred of past years without incidence and at the date of this report no concerns or issues have arisen from notification relating to the proposed closure in 2023.

18 The recommendation is for approval of the application, subject to similar conditions which were applied last year which will enable safe set up of the event, safety during the event and safety during the dismantling of the event.

19 Option 1 To approve the application for a temporary road closure associated with the event.

Advantages:

20 Council would remain consistent with previous road closures approved for this event.

21 The event will be able to be run as proposed.

22 Participant and spectator safety will not be compromised with the event held in a safe managed environment.

Disadvantages:

23 Road closures affect the normal flow of traffic which could affect the local tourism/commercial operators that use the road and inconvenience the public.

24 Option 2 To decline the application for a temporary road closure associated with the event.

Advantages:

25 There would be less inconvenience for the public and commercial/tourism operators that use the roads with them remaining open to normal vehicular traffic.

Disadvantages:

26 Council would be inconsistent with previous road closures approved for this event.

27 It could create an unsafe environment during the event for participants, spectators and the general public.

28 The event will not be able to be run as planned or not at all.

29 This report recommends Option 1 for addressing the matter as the event will be able to proceed as planned in a safe, managed environment.

CONSULTATION PROCESS | HĀTEPE MATAPAKI:

> SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT | TE WHAKAMAHI I KĀ WHAKAARO HIRAKA

- 30 This matter is of medium significance, as determined by reference to the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy as it relates to Council's roading network which is identified as a significant asset.
- 31 The proposal for closure temporarily and on conditions to minimise the impact on traffic and pedestrian flows is in line with the Policy's recommendations.
- 32 The persons who are affected by or interested in this matter are the general public, residents and commercial operators who may use the road.
- 33 The temporary road closure has been advertised in The Mountain Scene and The Wānaka Sun on the 24 November 2022 inviting comment and will be advertised again before the closure takes place. This is a statutory requirement of the Local Government Act 1974. No issues or concerns have arisen from this notification.
- 34 Council Engineers have been consulted and they concur with the recommended conditions proposed as have applied in previous years for the road closure.
- 35 We have publicly notified the intent to close the road, advised Emergency Services, NZ Police, Ritchies, InterCity, QLDC Events office, Council contractors and Council staff who would have an interest in the road closures and followed the statutory administrative requirements of the Local Government Act 1974.

RISK AND MITIGATIONS | NGĀ RARU TŪPONO ME NGĀ WHAKAMAURUTANGA

- 36 This matter relates to the Regulatory/Legal/Compliance risk category. It is associated with It is associated with RISK00031 Ineffective management and governance over legislative compliance within the QLDC Risk Register. This risk has been assessed as having a Moderate inherent risk rating. This matter relates to this risk because a variety of regulatory compliance and health and safety risks associated with parties using roads are triggered when the Council considers whether or not to approve a temporary road closure.
- 37 This matter also relates to the Community & Wellbeing risk category. It is associated with RISK00016 Temporary Core Infrastructure Outage caused by 3rd Party activity within the QLDC Risk Register. This risk has been assessed as having a Moderate inherent risk rating. This matter relates to this risk because the public's general access to the roading infrastructure will be impacted by the event.
- 38 The approval of the recommended option will support the management of the above risks by ensuring that the Council's legislative requirements are fully satisfied and that appropriate conditions are specified to ensure safety of all event stakeholders and minimal impact to the wider community from the temporary road closure.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS | NGĀ RITENGA Ā-PŪTEA

39 There are no cost implications resulting from the approval of this temporary road closure application. The applicant has paid the cost of the road closure application and will pay for any advertising that is required as part of the process.

COUNCIL EFFECTS AND VIEWS | NGĀ WHAKAAWEAWE ME NGĀ TIROHANGA A TE KAUNIHERA

40 The following Council policies, strategies and bylaws were considered:

- *Significance and Engagement Policy 2014* – providing clarity on Council’s decision making processes and assessing the extent to which individuals, organisations, groups and sectors in the community are affected by the Council’s decisions.
- *Criteria for Closing Significant Road Policy* – none of the roads proposed to be closed for this event are listed as significant roads under this policy.
- The recommended option is consistent with the principles set out in the named policies.

41 This matter is not included in the 10-Year Plan/Annual Plan as the costs associated with the proposed road closures will be met by the applicant.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS AND STATUTORY RESPONSIBILITIES | KA TURE WHAIWHAKAARO, ME KĀ TAKOHAKA WAETURE

42 Temporary road closures are controlled by Schedule 10 Section 11(e) of the Local Government Act 1974. As authority for approval of road closures is delegated to the Chief Executive and considering Section 10 (2) of the Local Government Act 2002 the advice recommends a decision that is efficient, effective and appropriate to present and anticipated future circumstances.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2002 PURPOSE PROVISIONS | TE WHAKATURETURE 2002 O TE KĀWANATAKA Ā-KĀIKA

43 Section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002 states that the purpose of local government is to:

- a. Enable democratic, local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of. Communities; and
- b. Promote the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of communities in the present and for the future.

44 As such, the recommendation in this report is appropriate and within the ambit of Section 10 because it will ensure that the events associated with the Motatapu Sporting Event 2023 can continue in the preferred format.

45 The recommended option:

- Will help meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses by
- Is consistent with the Council's plans and policies; and
- Would not alter significantly the intended level of service provision for any significant activity undertaken by or on behalf of the Council, or transfer the ownership or control of a strategic asset to or from the Council.

ATTACHMENTS | NGĀ TĀPIRIHANGA

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| A | MAP SHOWING EXTENT OF TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE |
| B | COVER LETTER |
| C | GLENDHU BAY PARKING |

Attachment 2 - A. Road Closure Maps

Motatapu Event Closures

 **Macetown Road** closure Saturday 4 March 2023, 0715-2000

 **Lower Buckingham St** closure Saturday 4 March 2023, 0715-1300



Rubbish & recycling stations will be located throughout the area

Motatapu Road closure Saturday 4 March 2023, 0500-1200



Rubbish & recycling stations will be located throughout the car parks and start line areas

Nairn Street closure Friday 3 March 2023, 1500-2100 & closed Saturday 4 March 2023, 0630-1930

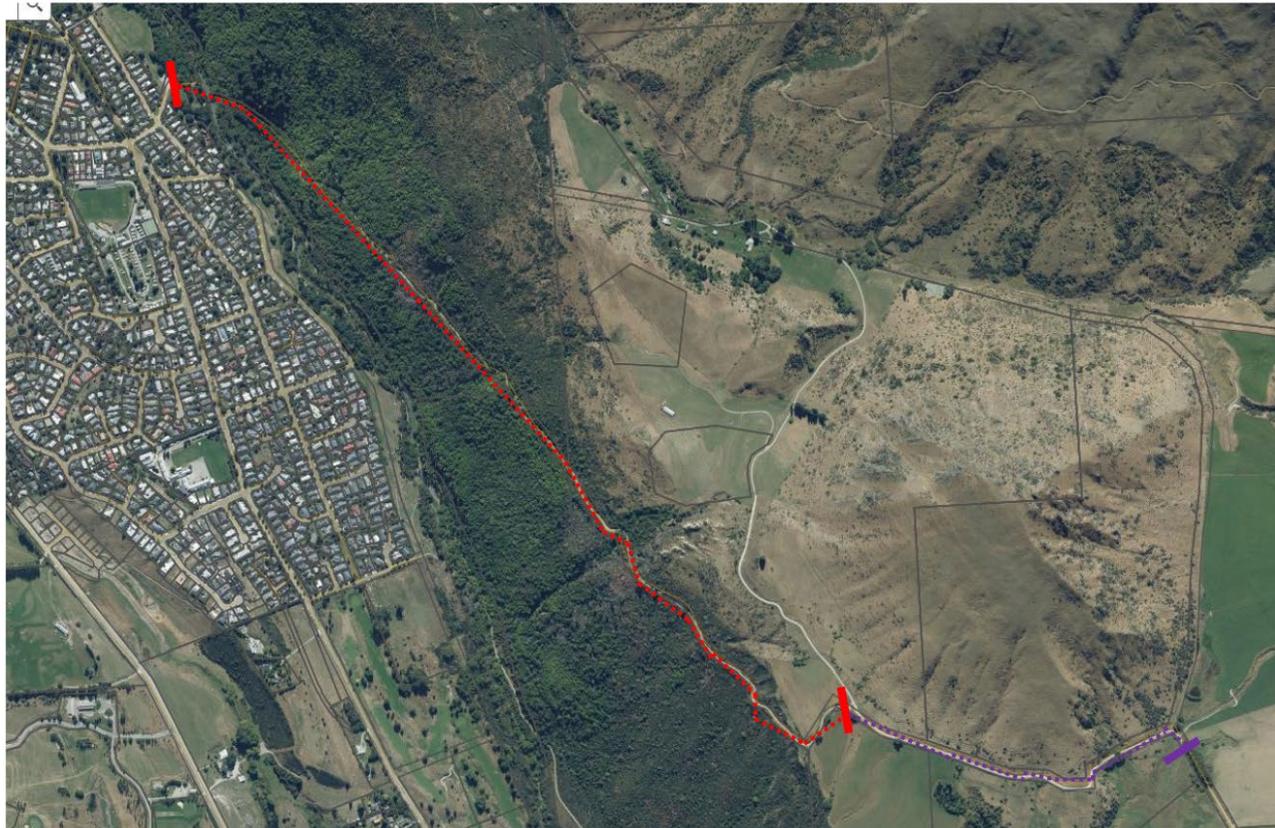
Ford Street closure Friday 3 March 2023, 1500-2100 & Saturday 4 March 2023, 0630-1930



Rubbish & recycling stations will be located throughout Wilcox Green

Tobins Track closure Saturday 4 March 2023, 0900-2000

Glencoe Road closure Saturday 4 March 2023, 0900-1500



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Attachment 3 - B. Cover Letter



Brooke Allan
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Queenstown Lakes District Council
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Re: Motatapu Event Temporary Road Closure Application 2023

Please find attached the application for Temporary Road Closures for the 2023 Motatapu event. The 2023 event is set for Saturday 4 March and the following events will be offered;

- 47km Mountain Bike
- 52km Ultra Run
- 42km Off-Road Marathon
- 15km Miners Trail
- 56km Coronet Loop Mountain Bike
- 4km Junior Trail Run

We are expecting approximately 4,000 athletes across the six events on offer.

There are pre and post event transport options offered to participants and the Marathon event includes a free shuttle from Wanaka to the Race Start.

Parking at the Glendhu Bay start line is available at Glendhu Station. This is a large paddock which has never reached capacity. Parking is managed by Southern Safety with support from volunteers. Parking in Arrowtown is located in several locations as per the map supplied. This is managed by a local group as a fundraiser. Both maps of these areas are included with the application.

For Macetown Road we will have crew/volunteer advising campers in the Macetown area that vehicle departure needs to be done prior to the closure.

DoC Macetown concessioners will be notified via email (list provided by DoC) of the temporary closure and local residents will also be notified via a letter drop. Example of this notification are included with the application.

Temporary notification signage will be installed at the entrances to the closures at least one week prior to the closures being in place.

A temporary traffic management plan will be completed and executed by Southern Safety.

\$7 of every entry fee is donated to the Queenstown Trails Trust as our charity of choice for the event.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gemma Peskett".

Gemma Peskett
Race Director
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gemma@motatapu.com

Attachment 4 - C. Glendhu Bay Parking



START LINE: GLENDHU BAY, LAKE WĀNAKA

