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**Preliminary Statement – Mt Soho Trust
Proposed Subdivision &
Proposed Private Plan Change
Arrowtown**

In regards to information received 3 July 2009. We have reviewed the information supplied to date, which at this stage of the project is limited. Our preliminary comments are as follows:

Proposed Subdivision

For Nga Runanga the issues would most likely focus on:

- Management and mitigation measures to be taken on sediment run-off during any earthworks.
- Management and mitigation measures to be taken on effects to any waterway ie. water quality and quantity.
- Management of excess excavated material.
- Sewage disposal for the proposed subdivision.
- Water supply for the proposed subdivision.

Nga Runanga would request that the following be a condition of the resource consent:

- If koiwi (human skeletal remains), waahi taoka (resource or object of importance), waahi tapu (place or feature of special significance) or other artefact materials are discovered work shall stop, allowing for a site inspection by the appropriate Rūnaka and their advisors. These people will determine if the discovery is likely to be extensive and whether a thorough site investigation will be required. Materials discovered should be handled and removed by takata whenua who possess knowledge of tikanga (protocol) appropriate to their removal or preservation.
- Further consultation for any subsequent consent applications arising from the proposed subdivision, to consider visual impact, sewage disposal, any further land disturbance and archaeological provisions.

It is understood the proposed subdivision would be a Notified Resource Consent Application once lodged at Council. Nga Runanga may or may not make a submission at that time.

Please note that this reply is made without prejudice. Nga Runanga reserves the right to reconsider its position in light of additional information and/or research

Proposed Private Plan Change

Nga Runanga have no concerns regarding the Private Plan Change of the areas as specified in the information supplied on the 3 July 2009.

Thank you for seeking our feedback at this early stage and encourage consultation throughout the development of the above proposal.

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