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## SUBMISSION ON NOTIFIED APPLICATION CONCERNING RESOURCE CONSENT

(Form 13)

### Section 95A Resource Management Act 1991

To: The Chief Executive  
Central Otago District Council  
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### DETAILS OF SUBMITTER

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This is a submission on the following resource consent application: RC No: **240065**

Applicant: **Helios OTA Op LP** Valuation No: **2828012800**

Location of Site: **48 Ranfurly-Naseby Road**

Brief Description of Application: **Land Use Consent to Construct, Operate and Maintain a Solar Farm (Maniatoto Plain Solar Farm) being a Renewable Electricity Generation Activity in a Rural Resource Area.**

The specific parts of the application that my submission relates to are:

(give details, attach on separate page if necessary)

The scenery which is unique + recognised world wide especially in the Maniototo will be spoilt for ever. Safety issues which have not be answered. Trees are difficult to establish in this harsh climate. Water is also scarce.

This submission is: (attach on separate page if necessary)

Include:

- whether you support or oppose the specific parts of the application or wish to have them amended; and
- the reasons for your views.

Oppose this development in any way shape or form. as attached paper

I/We seek the following decision from the consent authority:

(give precise details, including the general nature of any conditions sought)

I ~~support~~ / oppose the application OR neither support or oppose (select one)

~~I wish~~ / do not wish to be heard in support of this submission (select one)

I am/am not\* a trade competitor for the purposes of [section 308B](#) of the Resource Management Act 1991 (select one)

\*I/We am/~~am not~~ (select one) directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that:

(a) adversely affects the environment; and *tourist opperators.*

(b) ~~does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.~~

\*Delete this paragraph if you are not a trade competitor.

No benefit to the community as the power will go to the Nth Island. When completed employment for 2 people?

Lack of information regarding

Noise

What happens to the batteries long term

Safety issues - fire - pollution - landscape

glare - type of trees to be planted

Trees in this climate are very slow growing and difficult to establish. It is the general rule in this climate 10-12 years for an average size tree at planting to mature. not five years.

Where is the water to come from to keep them watered and maintained. What spaces of trees are to be planted.

Type of batteries to be used. Life time of batteries.

Glare could be a big issue to road users.

Where are the employers to come from to install these panels etc. Do they have to have any special qualifications - if so again no benefit to the local community.

In the event of an accident - fire ect what safety plans are there? The towns of Ranfurly and Naseby are both closer enough to be affected.

~~\*I/We will consider presenting a joint case if others make a similar submission~~

~~\*Delete this paragraph if not applicable.~~

I request/do not request (select one), pursuant to [section 100A](#) of the Act, that you delegate your functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to 1 or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority. "See note 4 below as you may incur costs relating to this request."

H.A. Gillespie

Signature

(to be signed by submitter or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter)

16 December 2024

Date

In lodging this submission, I understand that my submission, including contact details, are considered public information, and will be made available and published as part of this process.

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### Notes to submitter

1. If you are making a submission to the Environmental Protection Authority, you should use [form 16B](#).  
  
The closing date for serving submissions on the consent authority is the 20th working day after the date on which public or limited notification is given. If the application is subject to limited notification, the consent authority may adopt an earlier closing date for submissions once the consent authority receives responses from all affected persons.
2. You must serve a copy of your submission on the applicant as soon as is reasonably practicable after you have served your submission on the consent authority.
3. If you are a trade competitor, your right to make a submission may be limited by the trade competition provisions in [Part 11A](#) of the Resource Management Act 1991.
4. If you make a request under [section 100A](#) of the Resource Management Act 1991, you must do so in writing no later than 5 working days after the close of submissions and you will be liable to meet the additional costs of the hearings commissioner or commissioners, compared to our hearing panel. Typically these costs range from \$3,000 - \$10,000.
5. Please note that your submission (or part of your submission) may be struck out if the authority is satisfied that at least 1 of the following applies to the submission (or part of the submission):
  - it is frivolous or vexatious:
  - it discloses no reasonable or relevant case:
  - it would be an abuse of the hearing process to allow the submission (or the part) to be taken further:
  - it contains offensive language:

it is supported only by material that purports to be independent expert evidence, but has been prepared by a person who is not independent or who does not have sufficient specialised knowledge or skill to give expert advice on the matter.