

NOTICE OF APPLICATION CONCERNING RESOURCE CONSENT (RC250077)

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SECTION 95A RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

The Central Otago District Council has received an application from Awa Koura Mining Limited. The application seeks land use consent to extract alluvial gold over a three year period in the rural resource area at Luggate-Cromwell Road (State Highway 6), Lot 1 DP 466676, Cromwell. The site is partially subject to a flood hazard notation, associated with the Clutha River, in the Otago Regional Council's Natural Hazards Portal. The application requires resource consent under Rule 4.7.4.i to breach the maximum earthworks standard in Rule 4.7.6J.b and the commercial activity standard in Rule 4.7.6B.b.i, and is a discretionary activity.

The proposed mine would be located on the lower terrace of the site, working between the base of the terrace and the Mata-Au Clutha River. Proposed setbacks for the mine include 40m from the top of the riverbank, 10m from the marginal strip of the Clutha River, 5m from the dripline of any kanuka and 10m from the boundary with any DoC reserve land.

Mining is proposed to be carried out for up to 10 hours per day, Monday to Friday and directly employ four people. The applicant anticipates that around 200m³ of material could be processed per hour. The applicant proposes that the active mine area would be up to 2 hectares in area (Excluding office, storage and maintenance areas), with a mined face approximately 50m across. The active mining area would shift around the site, progressively stripping, extracting and remediating the land. The remediation would include backfilling, replacing topsoil and resowing with pasture grass. The applicant intends that remediated areas would be contoured to match existing landforms as closely as possible.

Mine equipment is proposed to consist of a floating gold processing screen plant, five excavators, two dump trucks, a bulldozer, pumps and ancillary equipment. Up to 2,520m³ of water per day is proposed to be used to run the processing plant, based on a flow rate of 70L/s over a 10 hour working day. The applicant intends this to primarily come from groundwater brought to the surface into ponds, and supplemented by water from the Mata-Au Clutha River. Bulk storage of 10,000 litres of diesel fuel is proposed on site. Fuel would be contained within double skinned tanks that have bunds constructed around them with 120% spill capacity.

Access to the site is from State Highway 6. The applicant proposes to retain the existing access location and design roughly opposite Pukerangi Drive. The applicant anticipates that most heavy vehicle movements would occur at the start and end of the mine's operation, with most movements during operation being light vehicles, for example staff vehicles, fuel and maintenance vehicles.

The application includes an assessment of environmental effects.

The Public Notification documents can be viewed online on Council's website <https://www.codc.govt.nz/services/planning/b-notified-consents/current-publicly-notified-consents> or at the Council offices at Alexandra, Cromwell, Ranfurly and Roxburgh. Please contact the Duty Planner on 440 0056 if you have any questions.

Any person may make a submission on the application, you may do so via the online portal link <https://www.codc.govt.nz/services/planning/b-notified-consents/current-publicly-notified-consents> (click on the relevant resource consent application) or by sending a written submission to Central Otago District Council, PO Box 122, Alexandra 9340 or email: resource.consents@codc.govt.nz.

Submissions close at **4:00pm on Thursday 19 March 2026**.

You must serve a copy of your submission on Awa Koura Mining Limited (the applicant), whose address for service is c/- Darryl Sycamore (Terramark Limited) by email darryl@terramark.co.nz, as soon as reasonably practicable after serving your submission on Central Otago District Council.



Signature on behalf of
Central Otago District Council

19 February 2026