

**Before the Environment Court  
I Mua I Te Kooti Taiao o Aotearoa**

**Christchurch Registry**

**ENV CHC 2020 034**

**Under the** Resource Management Act 1991  
**In the matter** of an appeal under clause 14 of Schedule 1  
**Between** **Omaka Valley Group Inc.**  
**Appellant**  
**And** **Marlborough District Council**  
**Respondent**

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**Memorandum by Omaka Valley Group Inc  
for case management conference on 28 August 2020**

**Dated 11 August 2020**

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**May it please the Court**

1. The appeal by the Omaka Valley Group Inc (**OVG**) concerns provisions included in chapters 14 and 25 of the proposed MEP of particular relevance to the Omaka Valley, a rural area approximately 10 km southwest of Blenheim township that is recognised in the proposed MEP as having specific amenity and rural character values. The appeal points are listed at section 11.5 of the Council's Rural Environment topic list.
2. The following are parties to the appeal under section 274 of the Act:

Federated Farmers of New Zealand  
Horticulture New Zealand  
Simcox Quarry Limited  
Trustpower Limited.
3. The appeal proposes specific drafting solutions to meet the concerns of the OVG.
4. The OVG acknowledge the observations made at paragraphs 49 – 53 of the Council's case management memorandum. In particular, the OVG will agree to take part in informal mediation in an attempt to either resolve or narrow the matters in dispute (paragraph 50). If any party would prefer a formal mediation convened under section 268 of the Act, then OVG will also agree to formal mediation (paragraph 51).



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