

Your Comment on the Silverlight Studios Accommodation

1. Contact Details		
Organisation name (if relevant)	New Zealand Infrastructure Commission	
*First name	Jonathon	
*Last name	Clark	
Postal address	Level 7, 95 Customhouse Quay, Wellington, 6011	
*Home phone / Mobile phone	██████████	*Work phone
*Email	Jonathon.clark@tewaihanga.govt.nz	

2. *We will email you draft conditions of consent for your comment

I can receive emails and my email address is correct

3. Please provide your comments on this application

Te Waihanga supports the consenting of this project for the following reasons:

- The original Silverlight Studios application has been referred to an expert consenting panel and Te Waihanga have expressed support for the consenting of that project, subject to our request for conditions that protect the ongoing safe operation and future-proofing of Wanaka airport as regionally significant infrastructure. We regard this second application as intrinsically linked to it.
- Te Waihanga acknowledges that the television and film industry involves an itinerant workforce with peaks and troughs in resourcing that will reflect production activity at the studio. Accommodating a surge workforce of this nature in the local rental market can be difficult, especially in the context of a resort town with already fluctuating demand for summer and winter seasonal tourism. Provision of dedicated accommodation for the studios will reduce the peak demand competition for short and long term rental property in the local area and mitigate the potential inflationary impacts that may otherwise price the resident population out of the local market.
- The addition of accommodation in the project will generate additional enduring local jobs once completed.
- Consenting the accommodation work through this Act will allow construction to be undertaken simultaneously with the original project, reducing the duration and thus impact/ disruption of construction activity to the area.

Further considerations:

- Any potential reverse sensitivity impacts on the accommodation by Wanaka Airport operations (i.e. effects of aircraft noise) may be mitigated through stipulating appropriate building performance standards imposed via condition.
- We acknowledge the scale of the overall project, combining the studios and accommodation and the potential impact this will have on local network infrastructure and request adequate contributions are sought from the applicant to cover required upgrades.
- We request that, prior to construction, the applicant be required to enter into a road maintenance agreement with the local council (or other appropriate Road Controlling Authority) for any roads that are expected to experience an increase in traffic volumes as a result of construction activity, for the duration of that increase in traffic volume.

Thank you for your comments