

Second Minute of Marlborough Salmon Farm Relocation Advisory Panel

1. This Minute responds to enquiries and suggestions made as to whether the Panel intends to hold meetings of expert witnesses in relation to any issues.
2. Those enquiries have been accompanied by understandable requests for some early indication from the Panel of the issues which may be the subject of such meetings, and their possible timing.
3. The Panel is now able to provide some direction on the issues of timing, likely issues involved, (on its perceptions at this stage), and expert witnesses who may be called upon.
4. The Panel also wishes to lay out the process which it believes may assist its deliberations.

Timing

5. On current indications of people wishing to be heard, meetings of expert witnesses will be on Wednesday 10 May, 2017 commencing at 9 a.m.

Issues and expert witnesses involved

6. If in the meantime any other issues stand out as being ones where other expert meetings may assist the Panel deliberations, a separate Minute will be issued specifying the issues and experts involved.
7. The omission or inclusion of particular issues for such meetings is not to be taken as any indication of the significance or otherwise of those issues to the final outcomes. Rather the issues identified for that process are issues where conflict between experts appears to be at a level where it may assist the Panel for the experts involved to analyse more succinctly and constructively their points of agreement and disagreement, before the Panel proceeds to its deliberations.
8. A focussed discussion of those points of disagreement can then be held with the Panel, and if of assistance, between the experts before the Panel.
9. The Panel considers it may be assisted by meetings of the following expert witnesses on the following issues. Response is also sought from those referred to in this Minute as to whether there are any other expert witnesses on the three topics listed who the Panel may have overlooked.

Landscape

- (i) John Hudson
- (ii) Julia Williams
- (iii) Dr. Michael Steven
- (iv) Stephen Brown

Effects on King Shaqs

- (i) Paul Fisher
- (ii) Dr. David Thompson
- (iii) Dr. David Taylor
- (iv) Paul Taylor
- (v) Rob Schuckard
- (vi) Graeme Taylor

Economic effects or significance

- (i) Bill Kaye-Black (PWC)
- (ii) Andrew Clark (NZKS)
- (iii) Wendy McGuinness
- (iv) Trevor Offen (Kenepuru)
- (v) Kevin Counsell

Expert meeting process

10. The Panel is of the view that the greatest assistance it can derive from the expert meeting process is to request the experts for and against the relocation proposal that they each provide a bullet point list of the following matters:
 - (i) The relevant points upon which they agree with opposing expert views in the materials placed before the Panel.
 - (ii) The relevant points upon which they differ from the opposing expert views in the materials placed before the Panel.
 - (iii) Succinctly, the specific reasons why they say that the Panel should prefer their views to those of the opposing experts.
11. These lists by each of the identified experts are to be provided to the Panel's Hearings Facilitator no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday 3 May, 2017. (E-mail delivery will be acceptable).
12. At the expert meetings, experts will be expected to support their reasons orally. Each issue is anticipated to take no longer than one to one and half hours to complete.

Dated 20 April, 2017



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Hearing Panel Chair