Ministry for Primary Industries

Manatū Ahu Matua



CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Mātaitai reserve application at Timaru

Pursuant to Regulation 17 of the Fisheries (South Island Customary Fishing) Regulations 1999, Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua has applied to the Minister for Primary Industries for a mataitai reserve over two areas of fisheries waters at Timaru. The first area covers 1.5 sq km extending from near the southern end of Washdyke Lagoon to the Caroline Bay Wharf, and offshore approx. 500 m. The second area covers 4.1 sq km extending from approx. 500 m north of Scarborough to Lagoon Drive, and offshore approx. 1 km (refer map).

A mātaitai reserve is an identified traditional fishing ground in fisheries waters established for the purpose of customary food gathering.

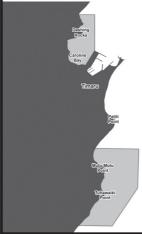
Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua and the Ministry for Primary Industries have previously consulted with the local community on the application.

Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua has amended the proposed southern reserve area by moving the southern part of the offshore boundary landward to approx. 1 km from shore.

Pursuant to Regulation 19(5) this notice outlines the details of the application and invites written submissions about the fish stocks in the area specified in the application from persons who take fish, aquatic life, or seaweed or own quota. and whose ability to take such fish, aquatic life, or seaweed or whose ownership interest in quota may be affected by the proposed mātaitai reserve.

Written submissions must be made by Monday, 10 November 2014 to: Fisheries Management - Spatial Allocations, Ministry for Primary Industries, PO Box 2526, Wellington 6140, or by email to FMSubmissions@mpi.govt.nz

Further information about mataitai reserves, including a map of this proposed mātaitai reserve, is available on the MPI website (www.mpi.govt.nz), or by contacting MPI at the above address.



Note: All submissions are subject to the Official Information Act 1982 ("the OIA") and can be released (along with the personal details of the submitter) under the OIA. If you have specific reasons for wanting to have your submission or personal details withheld, please set out your reasons in the submission. MPI will consider those reasons when making any assessment for the release of submissions if requested under the OIA.

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