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CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Three mātaitai reserve applications at Kaikoura

Pursuant to Regulation 17 of the Fisheries (South Island Customary Fishing) Regulations 1999, Te Rūnanga o Kaikoura Inc have applied for three new mātaitai reserves at Kaikoura.

Proposed Kahutara mātaitai reserve

The fisheries waters in the lower reaches of the Kahutara River catchment, from the river mouth inland to Blunts Road and Inland Kaikoura Road, including Lake Rotorua; Rakaunui Stream and Humbug Stream, but excluding an area within the boundaries commencing at 42°25.451'S 173°34.664'E, then proceeding east to a point at 42°25.450'S 173°34.860'E, then proceeding in a north-northwest direction to a point at 42°25.354'S 173°34.806'E, then proceeding due west to a point at 42°25.354'S 173°34.719'E, and then proceeding in a south-southwest direction to the point of commencement.

Proposed Tütaeputaputa mātaitai reserve

The fisheries waters in the lower reaches of the Conway River catchment, from the river mouth inland to the Inland Kaikoura Road, including the Conway River and its tributaries; the Limestone, Spey, Blackburn, Stag, Goat Hills, Campbell and Waingaro Streams; the Charwell and Gelt Rivers; Birthday Creek and Weka Brook.

Proposed extension to the Oaro Mātaitai Reserve

The fisheries waters in the lower reaches of the Oaro River catchment, commencing at the northwestern and southwestern boundaries of the existing Oaro Mātaitai Reserve, and proceeding inland to include the Oaro Lagoon; the Kaka Mutu, Te Moto Moto and Te Kahika Streams; and the lower reaches of the Oaro River up to a point at 42°29.680'S 173°27.714'E.

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

Te Runanga o Kaikoura Inc and the Ministry for Primary Industries have previously consulted with the local community on the applications.

Pursuant to Regulation 19(5), this notice outlines the details of the applications and invites written submissions about the fish stocks in the areas specified in the applications 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 reserves. Submissions must be made by Monday, 4 April 2016 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 mātaitai reserves, including a map of these proposed mataitai reserves, 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.