

Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee

Minute of Decision

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Proposed Amendments to Fisheries Regulations: Paua Bag Limits

Portfolio Fisheries

On 22 August 2019, the Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee:

- **noted** the 2016 Kaikōura earthquake had a significant impact on pāua in the northern part of the PAU 3 (Canterbury) and the southern part of the PAU 7 (Marlborough) quota management areas;
- **noted** the commercial Total Allowable Commercial Catch for PAU 3 and PAU 7 was reduced from 1 October 2017;
- agreed to decrease the daily recreational limit for pāua in PAU 3 and PAU 7 from 10 pāua to five, and reduce the accumulation limit from 20 pāua or 2.5 kg of minced meat to 10 pāua or 1.25 kg of minced meat in PAU 3 and PAU 7;
- 4 **invited** the Minister of Fisheries to issue drafting instructions to the Parliamentary Counsel Office to implement these changes through amendments to the Fisheries (Amateur Fishing) Regulations 2013.

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Present:

Hon Dr Megan Woods Hon David Parker (Chair) Hon Stuart Nash Hon Damien O'Connor Hon James Shaw Hon Eugenie Sage

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Minister of Fisheries

Officials present from:

Officials Committee for ENV