

**Summary of Information in Aquaculture Reform Regulatory Impact Statement** ✓ = option supports objective, x = option does not support objective, ? = unclear if option supports objective, or neutral impact

Option	Objective 1 (reduce regulatory costs and delays)	Objective 2 (promote investment)	Objective 3 (integrated decision making)	Risks	Further work required
<b>Improving the planning framework (p.14)</b>					
Status quo with implementation support	x	✓	x	Does not overcome fundamental problems with law	
New aquaculture allocation legislation	?	✓	x	May just shift problems into different legislation	
Remove prohibition on aquaculture outside AMAs	✓	✓	✓	Some plans may not have provisions to deal well with applications	Assess how coastal plans will deal with applications in absence of AMAs
<b>Government guidance and direction (p.17)</b>					
Lead Minister and agency	?	✓	?	Conflict of interest with Minister / agencies other functions	Coordination of different Ministerial and agency responsibilities in the coastal area
Govt policy strategy and guidance	?	✓	✓	Non-statutory options only work with co-operation	Ensure guidance developed in collaborative, fashion
NES and s360 regulations	✓	✓	?		
Private plan change and call-ins	✓	✓	✓	Precedent of central government 'taking over' contentious local issues	Detailed understanding of content and context of coastal plan provisions
New regulation power to change plans	✓	✓	x	Overrides RMA model of devolved regional decision making	
<b>Interface between aquaculture and fisheries (p.19)</b>					
Coordinate UAE with resource consents	✓	?	✓	Resource implications for MFish if receive large numbers of applications with short processing timeframes	Detailed analysis required of how UAE can be implemented alongside consents
Limits on information for test	✓	?	?		Needs clear monitoring and evaluation strategy to determine effectiveness for streamlining the process and enabling agreement
Change agreement level	✓	?	?		
Compensation or retire affected quota	✓	✓	?		
<b>Dealing with high demand (p.21)</b>					
Temporary halt to further applications while plan change prepared	x	x	✓	Responsible Minister may come under lobbying pressure from conservative councils	
New allocation tools for councils	✓	?	✓		Design of allocation tools appropriate for all circumstances
<b>Improving consent investment certainty (p.22)</b>					
Minimum consent duration	✓	✓	x	Perceived stronger rights for aquaculture consents may create more opposition.	
Simplify re-consenting	✓	✓	x		
Default activity status for existing farms	?	✓	x		