



PUBLIC MEETING AND CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Three mātaihai reserve applications at Kaikoura

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

Proposed Kahutara mātaihai 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 Humberg Stream, but excluding an area within the boundaries commencing at 2°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 Tūtaepūtāputa mātaihai 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 Waingarō Streams; the Charwell and Gell Rivers; Birthday Creek and Weka Brook.

Proposed extension to the Oaro Mātaihai Reserve

The fisheries waters in the lower reaches of the Oaro River catchment, commencing at the northwestern and southwestern boundaries of the existing Oaro Mātaihai Reserve, and proceeding inland to include the Oaro Lagoon; the Māka 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 mātaihai reserve is an identified traditional fishing ground in fisheries waters established for the purpose of customary food gathering.

Pursuant to Regulation 18, this notice invites written submissions from the local community on the applications. The local community is defined as those persons who own land in the proximity of the proposed mātaihai reserves, or have a place of residence in the proximity of the proposed mātaihai reserves, and have been in occupation for a cumulative period of no less than three months in the three consecutive years immediately prior to September 2015. Submissions must be made by Friday, 18 December 2015 to:

Fisheries Management – Spatial Allocations, Ministry for Primary Industries, PO Box 2526, Wellington 61 0, or by email to FHSubmissions@mpi.govt.nz

Pursuant to Regulation 19, notice is hereby given that a public meeting with the local community will be held on Thursday, 12 November 2015 at 7pm at Takabanga Marae, Takahanga Terrace, Kaikoura.

Pursuant to Regulation 19(5), a further notice will be advertised after the local community consultation period inviting written submissions 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 mātaihai reserves. Further information about mātaihai reserves, including a map of these proposed mātaihai 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.

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