Kahutara, Oaro and Tūtaeputaputa Mātaitai Reserve Applications

Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura Inc have applied to the Minister for Primary Industries to establish three mātaitai reserves at Kaikoura. The proposed reserves are described generally below.

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 approximately 0.036 km² that is approximately 1.5 km from the mouth of the Kahutara River.

Proposed Tūtaeputaputa 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 specified point on the River.

Pursuant to regulation 19(2) of the Fisheries (South Island Customary Fishing) Regulations 1999, a public meeting was held to consult with the local community on the applications.

Public Meeting - Takahanga Marae, Kaikoura 7pm, Thursday, 12 November 2015

Present

Applicant

Sir Mark Solomon (Chair, Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura Inc. Chair, Te Rūnanga o Ngai Tahu.)

Gina Solomon (Secretary, Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura Inc. Secretary, Te Korowai o te tai o Marokura.)

Raewyn Solomon

Nigel Scott (Principal Advisor - Mahinga kai, Te Rūnanga o Ngai Tahu.)

Ministry for Primary Industries

S 9(2)(a) (Spatial Allocations Manager)
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Public attendance

The meeting was attended by one person, Mr Ted Howard, who supports the applications. Mr Howard is the Treasurer for Te Korowai o te tai o Marokura; President of the Kaikoura Boating Club; and President of the NZ Recreational Fishing Council.

After waiting for half an hour for further attendees to arrive, and given Mr Howards Released under the Official Information existing well-informed knowledge of the applications, it was agreed that a formal public meeting would be replaced with a general discussion in the Whare Kai, where