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Feedback on FTA285 - Omakiwi Jetty

Reference: FTA285 - Omakiwi Jetty

Region / District: Northern North Island, Bay of Islands

Date: 19-06-2024

Notes:

Insufficient time has been provided for DOC technical (ecological, marine and coastal processes, legal, SLM, planning) advisors should be involved in order for DOC to be able to provide the best guidance.

The information below is a brief and very basic review noting that the information provided by the applicant is not sufficient to assess their project proposal.

Is any PCL affected? In particular, is the project likely to affect a National Park, Wildlife or Forest Sanctuary, Nature or National Reserve, or Ramsar sites?

Primarily coastal based, no Public Conservation Land (PCL) showing on DOC GIS, but affects:

- Sanctuary to protect Marine Mammals Te Pēwhairangi (Bay of Islands) Marine Mammal Sanctuary, Legislation: Marine Mammals Protection Act 1978
- Protected Area Te Pēwhairangi (Bay of Islands) Marine Mammal Sanctuary, Marine Mammals Protection Act 1978

Would the site likely require any DOC approvals (eg Wildlife Act, Conservation Act, freshwater fisheries)

Without proper assessment, it is difficult to assess the impacts of the proposal from a DOC perspective on ecological values.

Items of note:

Shown on DOC GIS as close proximity to Omakiwi Cove:

- Threatened Plant: Metrosideros carminea
- Shore skink (Oligosoma smithi)
- Seagrass habitat.

Shown on DOC GIS as being in Omakiwi Cove

• Estuarine beach, estuarine reef, estuarine, sheltered rocky shore.

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Do we know of any Treaty implications that MfE should be made aware of (eg, whether the site is relevant to a Terms of Settlement)?

Pre-settled environment, no Treaty Settlements currently exist. Ngati Kuta and Patukeha tangata whenua.

Any other points we should bring to MfE's attention?

Important breeding habitat for birds, estuarine and marine species.