Fast Track Consenting

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Cc: Manu Graham; Amy Robinson; Fast Track Consenting

Subject: [COMMERCIAL]Request for further information - Hananui Aquaculture Project FTCA Referral

Application

Hi Frances,

Thank you for your application, received on 12 May 2021, to refer the Hananui Aquaculture project (the Project) to an expert consenting panel for consideration under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (FTCA).

I am writing to request the following further information under section 22 of the FTCA:

- 1. Confirm whether the scope of the Project under the FTCA includes any:
 - a. disturbance and occupation of the seabed for anchoring
 - b. moorings for barges
 - c. water take for barge cleaning
 - d. installation of lights above and underwater
 - e. installation of navigation aids. Note this is referred to in the rule assessment table but not in the application description
 - f. hazardous substances, chemicals or other potential contaminants to be used or stored on or within the structure
 - g. discharge of any contaminant into water or water into water being managed for the purposes of Natural State
 - h. barge hull cleaning activities
 - i. discharge of dead farmed marine organisms
 - j. sewage or rubbish disposal
 - k. ancillary activities referred to in the application, including facilities for landing harvested fish and processing and storage facilities, or any other land-based activities
 - monitoring activities (pre and post construction).
- 2. If additional activities or works are proposed in the Project scope please update the rule table using the template in the application form to provide a complete list of consents being sought.
- 3. If the ancillary activities are not included in the Project scope is there any potential for delay which would affect delivery timeframes resulting from:
 - a. other resource consents required for ancillary activities?
 - the requirement for works to be undertaken by parties other than the applicant? (e.g. SouthPort).
- 4. The application contains a range of information regarding job creation on pages 17, 18 and Figure 3, Attachment 1. Please clarify:
 - a. the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs being created resulting from works and activities specifically included within the Project scope to full protection completion.
 - b. the number of other jobs such as those related to procurement of equipment (e.g. barges and smelt). These jobs should be accounted for separately.
- 5. Clarify the following details regarding cultural effects:
 - a. the extent of any direct employment benefits to Māori
 - b. other cultural benefits to Māori

- on Rakiura which is identified as an area of significant historical and cultural identity for Ngāi
 Tahu in the Ngāi Tahu ki Murihiku Natural Resource and Environmental Iwi Management Plan

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- 6. Provide a <u>brief</u> summary of the conclusions of the effects assessments, including proposed mitigation, in each of the following technical reports submitted with the resource consent application to Environment Southland:
 - a. Natural Character, Landscape and Visual Amenity Assessment. This summary should address the natural character, visual amenity values, and landscape values for both the coastal terrestrial area and the coastal marine area within the receiving coastal environment.
 - b. Water Column Assessment. This summary should address the volume and effects of anticipated nutrient loading in the water column, the effects of depletion of dissolved oxygen and of submerged artificial lighting.
 - c. Seabed Assessment. This summary should address effects of deposition of organic material.
 - d. Oyster Assessment. This summary should address effects on the Fouveaux Strait Oyster beds.
 - e. Marine Mammals Assessment. This summary should address effects of possible habitat displacement or avoidance and entanglement risks and other impacts.
 - f. Seabird Assessment. This assessment should address positive and negative effects for seabird species.
 - g. Shark Assessment.
 - h. Navigational Risk Assessment
 - i. Disease Risk Assessment
 - j. Biosecurity Assessment.
- 7. Clarify the status of any relevant regional agreement being developed under the Māori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement Act 2004. Confirm whether developing this agreement or any other processes under that Act will affect the timing or delivery of the Project.

Please provide the required information via return email within 10 working days so that we can take it into account in deciding whether or not to refer the Project.

If you wish to discuss or clarify anything in this information request please let me know.

Rachel Ducker

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