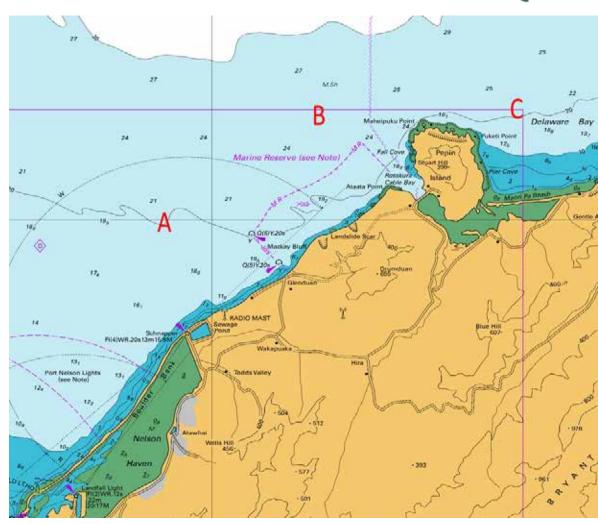
Increasingly exposed mooring sites from $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C$



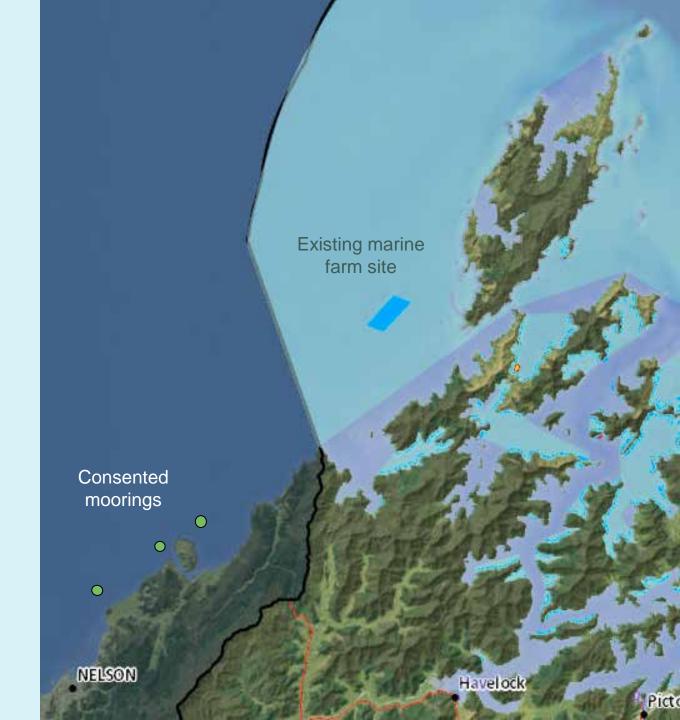
- » Already consented activity
- » Sites chosen represent the most appropriate for sea trials in the Nelson Region
 - Depth and flow characteristics
 - Soft sediment / mud habitat
 - Heavily trawled area of Tasman Bay
- » Close proximity to Nelson Research Facility
- » Sites also selected with input from Port Nelson
 - All sites are within the 3 mile to shore restriction on port traffic



Physical testing only

Proposed aquaculture consent

- » Existing marine farm site
 - » Resource consent (U000361) and marine farming permit (MPE933) held by Wakatū Incorporation
- » Stand alone consent
- » Limited period 7 years
- » Limited scale
 - » Dictated by the size of the prototypes (~130m³ and 1,030m³) and stocking density
 - » For consent:
 - » Up to 1,500m³
 - » Stocking density up to 15 kg/m³



Proposed aquaculture consent – location detail



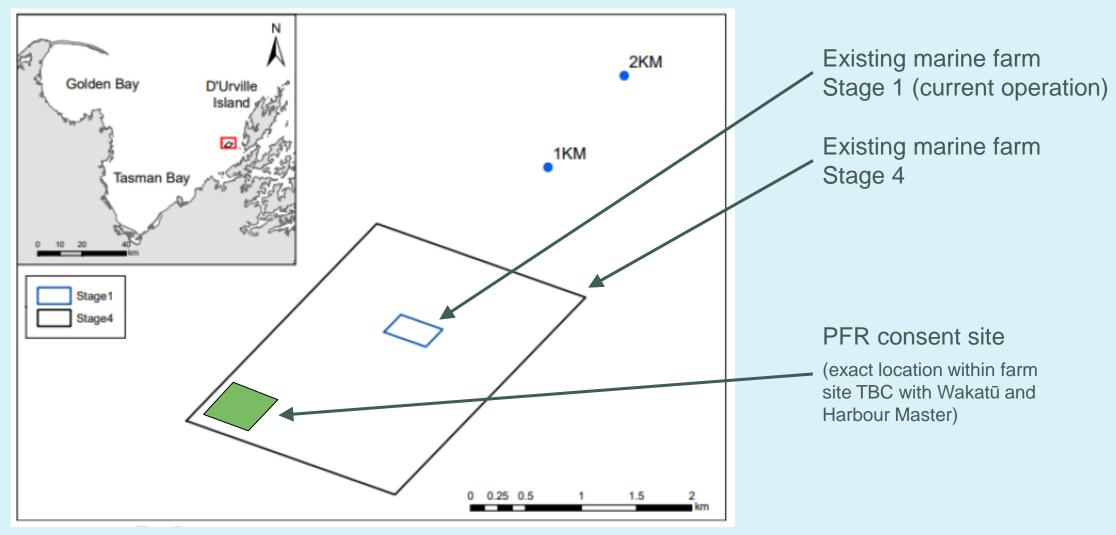
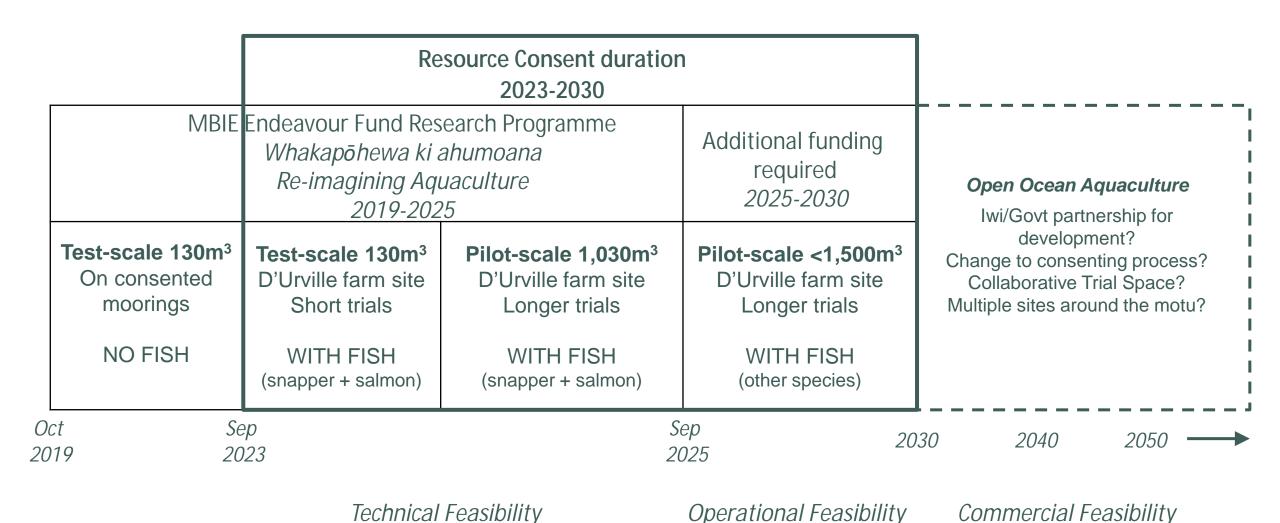


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Proposed aquaculture consent - overview



Consent step	Lodgement by PFR	Council review of application & notification decision	Submission period	Hearing logistics & evidence preparation	Hearing	Notification of decision	Appeals to the Environment Court	Resolution of appeals	Appeals to higher courts
Potential timeframe under the standard process		2 months 2023	1 month	3 months	1 month	1 month	1 month	1-2 years	Unknown
Assumptions	Subject to completion of technical reports	Assumes only small further information requests, if any, given pre-lodgement engagement with Council.	Assumes notified application based on feedback provided by Council.	Assumes submissions will be made in opposition to the application by interest groups that oppose finfish aquaculture.	Not assuming month of hearing time but a month of hearing process, e.g. follow up questions from the hearing panel	Three weeks from close of hearing.	Given how controversial finfish aquaculture has been it is considered that there is a reasonable risk that appeals will be made to the Environment Court.	Depends on the nature of any appeals and the willingness of parties seek resolution.	Finfish aquaculture proposals have been appealed to higher courts relatively frequently.
Fast Track steps		EPA & Panel review of application	Comment period			Notification of decision			Appeals to higher courts
Timeframe		10 WD (5WD each)	10 WD			25 WD			Unknown