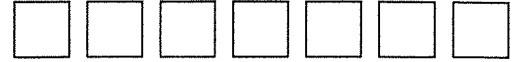


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OFF-SITE MARINE FARM APPLICATION



U060533

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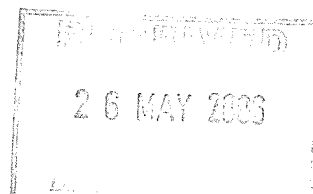
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DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: (e.g. application to amend authorised space on licence/permit to reflect actual space - include permit number/s)

Application to amend the farm boundaries of Lic 48 and U960385 to reflect the current position of the marine farm structures.

LOCATION: (e.g. bay name and sound name)

Western side of Crail Bay



REASONS FOR APPLICATION: (Reasons for the farm being developed offsite. Use and attach a separate sheet if necessary)

A recent biological survey completed for the renewal of U960385 has shown that the structures of Lic 48 and its extension U960385 are currently placed over a benthos more suitable for marine farming than the currently unused inshore portion of this farm. Therefor we propose shifting the marine farm boundaries for both Lic 48 and U960385 approximately 50 meters further offshore to cover the existing structures.

Note: an assessment of environmental effects has not been attached with this application. We request a preliminary decision on this application which would give guidance as to the likelihood of the success of the application pending an acceptable AEE for this area. The recent biological survey for the inshore area has been attached.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS ATTACHED:

Survey plan – the plan needs to show the actual space the marine farm is occupying in relation to the authorised space. It should also show the coastal marine zone boundary (mean high water springs), adjacent structures and give details of water depth.

Notes: **Actual space** means the space in relation to which the deemed coastal permit is being exercised. **Authorised space** means the space specified in the deemed coastal permit.

A coastal permit cannot be amended under this application to occupy a space greater than the authorised space. Therefore, if the actual space is larger than the authorised space your farm size must be reduced to that of the authorised space.

Assessment of Environmental Effects - the assessment needs to address the effects of the activity in the actual space, and of moving the activity to the authorised space. It must include a description of the seabed composition within the actual and authorised space and include reasons for and against amending the permit to reflect the actual space.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. This application is made under section 53 of the Aquaculture Reform (Repeals and Transitional Provisions) Act 2004.
2. The applicant and the applicant's agent are liable for all fees and charges relating to this application. Payment is due within thirty (30) days of the issue date of the invoice. Council will charge interest on overdue invoices at 15% per annum from the date of issue to the date of payment. In the event of non-payment the applicant and/or the agent will be liable for all legal and other costs of recovery.
3. Where this application is completed and signed by an agent the invoice for the fees will be sent to the agent and all communication regarding the application will be with the agent.
4. Information supplied with the application is subject to release under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act.

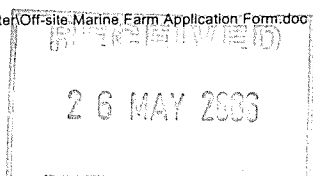
I certify that the information provided is correct and I accept the above terms and conditions.

Signature(s)

Applicant / Agent (delete one)

Date

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Assessment of effects for application for Coastal Permit to replace U960385

Application description

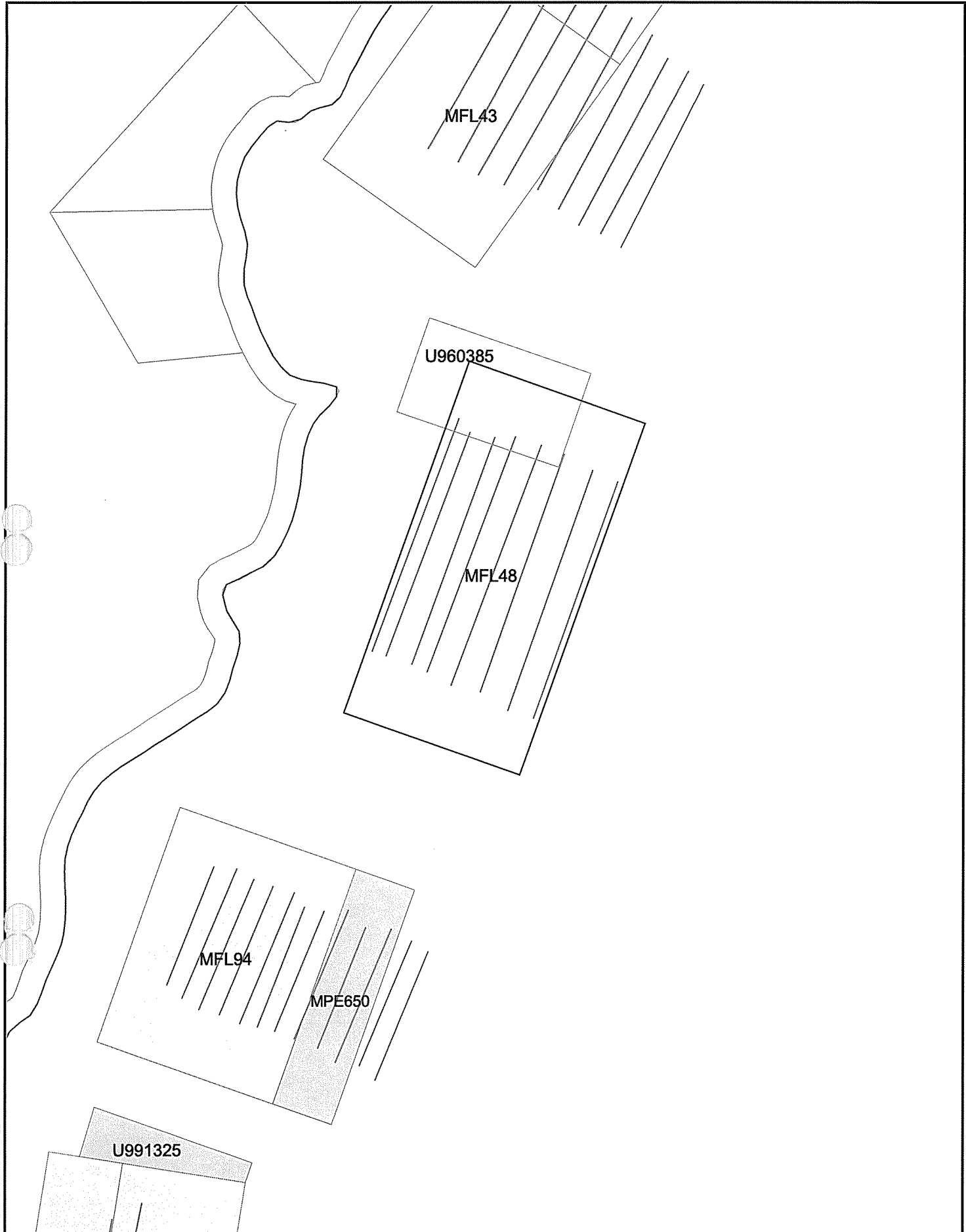
U960385 is a 1.09 ha extension of MFL 48 on the North-western side of Crail Bay. This consent has been in place for approximately 10 years and therefore could be considered to be a long established and well known marine farm. The structures in place are the northern ends of 8 x 200m longlines used to farm greenshell mussels. The marine farm has been operated by Marlborough Mussel Co Ltd to the standards as set out in the Mussel Industry Environmental Code of Practice and in accordance with the conditions of its consent. The farm will continue to be managed using usual longline farming techniques and industry best practice.

Assessment of effects

I do not consider that the application for a coastal permit will have any additional effects in regard to visual impact, as the structures have been established for approximately 10 years.

The farm is well known in regards to navigational issues and does not constitute a navigational hazard in its present state.

Any effects on the benthic environment or in regard to phytoplankton depletion will have no more than the effects of the present Coastal Permit. These are covered in detail in the attached ecological report.



REFERENCE

- Existing Marine Farm
- Granted Marine Farm
- Granted by Consent Order
- Surface Structures
- Proposed Re-aligned position

Surface structures were fixed by DGPS surveyed Dec 2004

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Date: May 2006

MFL 048 & CP U960385
Crail Bay
Proposed Re-alignment MFL 048

Scale 1:4,000