

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT

ENV-2020-CHC-000040

AT CHRISTCHURCH

I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO

IN THE MATTER

of an appeal under clause 14
of Schedule 1 of the Resource
Management Act 1991

BETWEEN

HARO Partnership

Appellant

AND

**Marlborough District
Council**

Respondent

**NOTICE OF WISH TO BE A PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS BY THE
MINISTER OF CONSERVATION**

Dated: 8 June 2020

Department of Conservation

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Notice of person's wish to be a party to proceedings

Section 274 Resource Management Act 1991

To: The Registrar
Environment Court
CHRISTCHURCH

1. The **Minister of Conservation** (the **Minister**) wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:
 - 1.1. Haro Partnership v Marlborough District Council.
2. The Minister made submissions and appeared at the Council hearing on the proposed Marlborough Environment Plan (the Plan).
3. The Minister is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA).
4. The Minister also has an interest greater than the interest the general public has, specifically regarding conservation values and the implementation of the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement.
5. The Minister is interested in all of the appeal, but with a particular interest in the parts of the appeal relating to:
 - 5.1. Rules 16.6.6 and 16.7.7 and related mapping of Ecologically Significant Marine Sites; and
 - 5.2. Appendix 27
6. The Minister **opposes** the relief sought.

Relief opposed

7. The Minister opposes the appeals on the provisions relating to the identification and mapping of Ecologically Significant Marine Sites including the buffers around Category A and B sites. It is not considered appropriate for aquaculture activities to be exempted from the provisions that are designed to protect these identified sites, particularly Rules 16.6.6 and 16.7.7, and such an approach would not be consistent with the NZCPS.
8. The Minister agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.



Matt Pemberton/Dean van Mierlo
Solicitor/Counsel for the Minister of Conservation

8 June 2020

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Advice

If you have any questions about this notice, please contact the Environment Court in Auckland, Wellington, or Christchurch.