



# Cabinet Legislation Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### East Otago Taiāpure Regulatory Changes

**Portfolio**                      **Fisheries**

On 5 November 2019, the Cabinet Legislation Committee (LEG):

- 1        **noted** that on 12 September 2019, the Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee:
  - 1.1        noted that that the East Otago Taiāpure Management Committee has the power under Part 9 of the Fisheries Act 1996 to recommend fisheries regulations to the Minister of Fisheries for the conservation and management of fish, aquatic life or seaweed in the East Otago Taiāpure;
  - 1.2        noted that the East Otago Taiāpure Management Committee has recommended making regulations for the East Otago Taiāpure that would:
    - 1.2.1        close recreational and commercial pāua fishing within the Taiāpure;
    - 1.2.2        prohibit the cutting of seven species of kelp: *Durvillaea antarctica*, *D. willana*, *Ecklonia radiata*, *Macrocystis pyrifera*, *Marginariella boryana*, *Marginariella urvilliana* and *Lessonia variegata* within the Taiāpure;
    - 1.2.3        prohibit the commercial and recreational use of set-nets within the Taiāpure;
    - 1.2.4        require all recreational fishers to hold only whole or gilled/gutted fish when fishing within the Taiāpure;
  - 1.3        agreed to the East Otago Taiāpure Management Committee's recommendations;
  - 1.4        invited the Minister of Fisheries to issue drafting instructions to the Parliamentary Counsel Office to implement these changes through amendments to the Fisheries (Amateur Fishing) Regulations 2013 and the Fisheries (South-east Area Commercial Fishing) Regulations 1986.
- [ENV-19-MIN-0045]
- 2        **noted** that the Fisheries (Amateur Fishing) Amendment Regulations 2019 and the Fisheries (South-East Area Commercial Fishing) Amendment Regulations 2019 give effect to the above decision;

- 3 **noted** that on 5 November 2019, LEG authorised the submission to the Executive Council of the Fisheries (Amateur Fishing) Amendment Regulations 2019 [LEG-19-MIN-0167];
- 4 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Fisheries (South-East Area Commercial Fishing) Amendment Regulations 2019 [PCO 22419/5.0];
- 5 **noted** that the Amendment Regulations come into force on 12 December 2019.

Gerrard Carter  
Committee Secretary

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**Present:**

Hon Chris Hipkins (Chair)  
Hon Stuart Nash  
Hon Iain Lees-Galloway  
Hon Tracey Martin  
Hon Julie Anne Genter  
Hon Eugenie Sage  
Hon Michael Wood (Senior Government Whip)

**Officials present from:**

Office of the Prime Minister  
Officials Committee for LEG

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Minister of Fisheries