

IN THE MATTER OF:

**REVIEW OF SUSTAINABILITY MEASURES FOR
ROCK LOBSTER (CRA 2, 4, 7 & 8) FOR 2018/2019**



SUBMISSION OF SPEARFISHING NEW ZEALAND

About the Submitter

This is the submission of Spearfishing New Zealand Incorporated (SNZ). We are an Incorporated Society representing the interests of freedive spearfishers in New Zealand. We are a distinct sub-group of the recreational fishing sector.

Freedive spearfishers are active in the CRA fisheries.

SNZ reports directly to approximately 5,294 divers nationwide. The wider freedive spearfishing community is approximated by the 12,525 members of the most active (NZ) social media pages in our sport.

All our members rely on abundant fisheries as a food source and for the recreation value of harvesting.

CRA Consultation

We have read the Joint Recreational Submission prepared by NZ Sport Fishing Council and LegaSea.

Whilst we are unable to complete a full submission in the short consultation period, we support the views expressed in the Joint Recreational Submission.

We thank MPI for the opportunity to submit on these important issues, and look forward to assisting MPI in future decision making that affects our members.

Kind Regards,

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