



Request for further temporary closure of Umupuia Beach, Manukau, to the harvest of cockles

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to section 186A of the Fisheries Act 1996, the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) has received a request from Ngai Tai Umupuia Te Waka Totara Trust, on behalf of Umupuia Marae and Ngai Tai, for a further two-year temporary closure of Umupuia Beach, Manukau, to the harvest of cockles. The current temporary closure is due to expire on **25 October 2014**.

The proposed temporary closure covers the New Zealand fisheries waters at Umupuia Beach landwards of a straight line from Te Puea (at the western end of Umupuia Beach) to Whakakaiwhara Point (at the eastern end of Umupuia Beach). The proposed temporary closure is approximately 1.4 sq km.

MPI invites written submissions in response to this request from persons who have an interest in the species concerned or in the effects of fishing in the area concerned. Submissions must be made by

Tuesday 13 May 2014 to:

Fisheries Management – Spatial Allocations,
Ministry for Primary Industries, PO Box 2526,
Wellington 6140, **FMSubmissions@mpi.govt.nz**

Further information about this request, including a map of the proposed area, is available on the MPI website (**www.mpi.govt.nz**), or by contacting MPI at the above address.

Note: All submissions are subject to the Official Information Act 1982 (“the OIA”) and can be released, if requested. If you have specific reasons for wanting to have your submission withheld, please set out your reasons in the submission. MPI will consider those reasons when making any assessment for release of submissions if requested under the OIA.