

Application to hold quota over aggregation limits for blue mackerel and kahawai

Closing Date: 18 Sep 2020

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UPDATE – 26 AUGUST 2020

Consultation extended

Public consultation on Pelco New Zealand Limited’s application for an exemption from quota aggregation limits for kahawai and blue mackerel has been extended by 3 weeks. Submissions now close on Friday, 18 September 2020.

Have your say

Fisheries New Zealand is seeking feedback from persons or organisations having an interest in a blue mackerel (EMA) and kahawai (KAH) quota aggregation limit exemption application.

The application is from Pelco NZ Limited.

The requests are to hold:

- 45.993% of all KAH quota, with an authorisation to hold up to 51% to accommodate future TAC/TACC changes.
- 55.304% of all EMA quota, with an authorisation to hold up to 61% to accommodate future TAC/TACC changes.

Consultation on this application will run for 5 weeks from 20 July to 28 August 2020.

About the application

The Fisheries Act 1996 contains provisions that place restrictions on the amount of quota that may be owned by any one person or entity. These restrictions are called aggregation limits.

For blue mackerel, the aggregation limit is 45%, and for kahawai, it is 35% of the combined total allowable commercial catches (TACCs) for each stock.

Section 60 of the Fisheries Act 1996 makes the provision for the Minister of Fisheries to consent to persons holding quota in excess of such aggregation limits, following consultation.

Consultation document

The application submitted by Pelco NZ Limited is provided below. Additional and separate documents provided alongside the application were not included as part of this consultation.

[Pelco NZ Limited application to hold quota above aggregation limits](#) [PDF, 11 MB]

If you can't open the document or would like printed copies, email FMSubmissions@mpi.govt.nz

Making your submission

Feedback on the proposed changes must be submitted by 5pm on 28 August 2020.

- We encourage you to use the [submission form template](#) [PDF, 347 KB]
- Email all submissions to FMSubmissions@mpi.govt.nz

While we prefer email, you can post your submission to:

Kahawai and Blue Mackerel Limit Exemptions 2020
Fisheries Management
Fisheries New Zealand
P O Box 53030
Auckland 2022.

What to include

Make sure you include in your submission:

- which species you are submitting on, or whether your submission applies to both
- your name and title, if applicable
- your organisation's name (if you're submitting on behalf of an organisation or a company)
- your contact details (for example, phone number, address and email).

Submissions are public information

Submissions are public information. People can ask for copies of submissions under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). The OIA says we must make submissions available unless we have a good reason for withholding it. That is explained in sections 6 and 9 of the OIA.

Tell us if you think there are grounds to withhold specific information in any submissions you have made. Reasons might include that it's commercially sensitive or it's personal information. However, any decision MPI makes to withhold information can be reviewed by the Ombudsman, who may tell us to release it.