

New Zealand Sport Fishing Council Advocacy for South Island issues



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Since the 1970s the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council (NZSFC) has actively advocated for recreational fishing interests in the South Island. The Fiordland Game Fishing Club was the first incorporated organisation in the south to affiliate to the Council, in 1975. Prior to their affiliation the NZSFC had successfully advocated issues of interest to recreational fishers nationally.

In 2012 the NZSFC established LegaSea to raise public awareness about the issues affecting our marine environment, what's at stake both regionally and nationally. With the support of the NZSFC, LegaSea has become adept at encouraging alignment amongst like-minded people and organisations.

LegaSea is also inspiring people to contribute financially to help spread the load of resourcing our advocacy effort. Since inception, LegaSea has operated a 100% Commitment Policy whereby all public donations and unaffiliated club contributions are distributed to the NZSFC to be administered by the Fisheries Management Standing Committee and spent on advocacy, research, education and alignment. These four work streams feed into the NZSFC submissions.

This record is a preliminary summary of NZSFC submissions made from 2009 onwards, in response to processes of relevance to the South Island including some national issues. These include responses to fisheries management and policy proposals, fisheries and spatial plans, aquaculture and Māori customary management proposals. It is preliminary because the online records are incomplete and some details have been lost over time. It is also a living document meaning it will be updated with new details in the future.

To keep this digestible, this chronological summary of submissions excludes attendances at meetings, Working Group, research and management discussions, and engagement in other processes.

Date	Species/Issue	Area	Description
June 2009	Fisheries 2030 Government Strategy	National	Letter
June 2009	Fisheries 2030 Proposed Alternative Strategy - More Fish in the Water I	National	Submission

July 2009	Fisheries 2030 Proposed Alternative Strategy - More Fish in the Water II	National	Submission
July 2009	Fisheries 2030 Proposed Alternative Strategy - More Fish in the Water II Recommendations	National	Submission
May 2010	Fisheries 2030 Proposed Decision Criteria	National	Submission
July 2010	Fisheries 2030 Sector Indicator Review	National	Submission
Jan 2011	Deemed values standard	National	Submission
Feb 2011	Crayfish	Tasman, Marlborough, Canterbury, Otago & Southland	Submission
June 2011	Pāua carry forward of ACE	National	Submission
July 2011	Blue cod	Southland, Fiordland	Submission
July 2011	Bluenose	National	Submission
Aug 2011	Pacific and Southern bluefin tuna	National	Submission
Sep 2011	Crayfish	Otago, Southland, Gisborne	Submission - concessions
Oct 2011	Foreign Charter Vessel Inquiry	National	Submission
Nov 2011	Pacific and Southern bluefin tuna	National	Submission
Dec 2011	Proposed Kaikōura Marine Strategy	Kaikōura, east coast	Submission
Feb 2012	Crayfish	Tasman, Marlborough, Canterbury & Southland	Submission
July 2012	Deemed values rates for inshore stocks	National	Submission
July 2012	Elephant fish	Southland, Fiordland	Submission
July 2012	John dory	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2012	Red gurnard	All South Island	Submission
Aug 2012	Whitetip sharks	National	Submission
Aug 2012	Pacific and Southern bluefin tuna	National	Submission
Aug 2012	Mako sharks	National	Submission
Aug 2012	Porbeagle sharks	National	Submission

Sep 2012	Animal Welfare Act proposed amendments	National	Submission
Dec 2012	Crayfish regulations	Otago	Submission
Feb 2013	Crayfish	Otago & Southland	Submission
Apr 2013	Pāua	Otago - PAU5D	Submission
Aug 2013	Kingfish	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
Aug 2013	Snapper	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
Oct 2013	Animal Welfare Amendment Bill	National	Submission
Nov 2013	Pacific and Southern bluefin tuna	National	Submission
Dec 2013	Sharks - National Plan of Action	National	Submission
Feb 2014	Crayfish	Otago & West Coast	Submission
Feb 2014	Scallops	Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
June 2014	Blue moki	Canterbury & Otago	Submission
Feb 2015	Crayfish	Tasman, Marlborough, Canterbury, Otago & west coast	Submission
June 2015	Blue cod	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
Dec 2015	Fisheries System Review	National	Submission
Feb 2016	Crayfish	Tasman, Marlborough, Canterbury, Southland, Otago & west coast	Submission
Feb 2016	Deemed values rates for inshore stocks	National	Submission
Feb 2016	Surf clam	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
Mar 2016	Marine Protected Areas Bill	National	Submission
May 2016	Crayfish	Otago, Southland & Fiordland	Submission
July 2016	Jack mackerel	Canterbury, Otago & Southland	Submission
July 2016	John Dory	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2016	Pāua	Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2016	Scallops	Tasman & Marlborough	Submission

July 2016	Snapper	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2016	Bluenose	National	Submission
Dec 2016	Future of our Fisheries Policy proposals	National	Submission
Dec 2016	Marine Protection Plan	Southeast coast, Otago	Submission
Jan 2017	Emergency closure of coastline	Kaikōura	Submission
Feb 2017	Crayfish	Otago, Wellington & Gisborne	Submission
Mar 2017	Future of our Fisheries Technical Advisory Group	National	Submission
May 2017	Scallops	Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
June 2017	Flatfish	East coast South Island, Southland, Fiordland	Submission
July 2017	Review of fisheries & emergency closures	Kaikōura	Submission
July 2017	Pāua	East coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2017	Red gurnard	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2017	Bluenose	National	Submission
Aug 2017	Highly Migratory Species Fisheries Plan	National	Submission
Feb 2018	Crayfish	Otago, Southland, Fiordland, Hauraki Gulf and Wellington	Submission
Feb 2018	Pacific and Southern bluefin tuna	National	Submission
June 2018	Scallops	Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2018	Kaikoura-Wakatu Quay s186B temporary closure	Kaikōura	Submission
July 2018	Mudhouse Bay s186B temporary closure	Kaikōura	Submission
July 2018	Elephant fish	East coast South Island	Submission
July 2018	Kingfish	East coast South Island	Submission
July 2018	Red gurnard	East coast South Island	Submission
July 2018	Rig (spotted dogfish)	East & west coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2018	Pacific and Southern bluefin tuna	National	Submission

July 2018	Tarakihi	East coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
Oct 2018	Crayfish	Tasman, Marlborough, Canterbury	Submission
Feb 2019	Crayfish	Southland, Hawke's Bay & Gisborne	Submission
Mar 2019	Fisheries Change Policy Programme	National	Submission
Mar 2019	Blue cod	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2019	National Rock Lobster Management Group Review	National	Submission
July 2019	Red gurnard	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2019	Rig (spotted dogfish)	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2019	Red snapper	National	Submission
July 2019	John dory	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2019	Tarakihi	East coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2019	Elephant fish	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2019	Hoki	National	Submission
July 2019	Animal welfare regulations	National	Submission
July 2019	Charter boat reporting	National	Submission
Aug 2019	Māui dolphin threat management plan	West Coast North Island/national issue	Submission
Nov 2019	Omaui Mātaitai application	Omaui, Southland	Submission
Dec 2019	Marlborough salmon farm application	Cape Lambert, Marlborough Sounds	Submission
Feb 2020	Resource Management Act review	National	Submission
Feb 2020	Crayfish	Southland, Fiordland, Otago, Hawke's Bay, Gisborne, Northland	Submission
Feb 2020	Crayfish	National	Submission
Feb 2020	Fisheries Plan - Inshore Finfish	Inshore Fisheries	Submission
Mar 2020	Mātaitai application	Tautuku Mātaitai, Southland	Submission

July 2020	Blue moki	East coast South Island	Submission
July 2020	Blue cod	Southland, Fiordland	Submission
July 2020	Kingfish	South Island and lower North Island	Submission
July 2020	Leatherjacket	East coast South Island	Submission
July 2020	Red gurnard	East coast South Island	Submission
July 2020	Rig (spotted dogfish)	East coast South Island	Submission
July 2020	Pāua	East coast South Island	Submission
July 2020	Snapper	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2020	Red gurnard	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
Aug 2020	Marine Protected Areas	Southeast coast	Submission
Sep 2020	Aggregation limits (mackerel, kahawai)	National	Submission
Feb 2021	Crayfish	Northland, Gisborne, Hawke's Bay-Wellington, Canterbury-Marlborough	Submission
Feb 2021	Elephant fish	West coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2021	Blue cod	East coast South Island	Submission
July 2021	Deemed value rates for inshore stocks	National	Submission
July 2021	Reopening of pāua fishery	Kaikōura	Submission
July 2021	Cameras on vessels	National	Submission
July 2021	Southern bluefin tuna	National	Submission
Aug 2021	Tarakihi	East coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
Nov 2021	Finfish - daily bag limits	National	Submission
Feb 2022	Crayfish	Northland, Otago, Southland	Submission
Feb 2022	Hāpuku & bass	Upper West Coast South Island, Marlborough Sounds-Tasman, Lower West Coast North Island	Submission
Mar 2022	Technical Changes to Fisheries Regulations	National	Submission
June 2022	Fisheries Amendment Bill	National	Submission
July 2022	Deemed values for inshore fish stocks	National	Submission

July 2022	Blue cod	Marlborough Sounds	Submission
July 2022	Red gurnard	South Island East Coast, Fiordland, Chatham Islands	Submission
July 2022	Rig (spotted dogfish)	South Island East Coast, Fiordland, Chatham Islands	Submission
July 2022	Tarakihi	East coast, Tasman & Marlborough	Submission
July 2022	Snapper	Upper West Coast South Island, Marlborough Sounds, Tasman	Submission
July 2022	Red gurnard	Upper West Coast South Island, Marlborough Sounds, Tasman	Submission
July 2022	Rig (spotted dogfish)	Upper West Coast South Island, Marlborough Sounds, Tasman	Submission
Sep 2022	Amateur regulations review	Fiordland Marine Area	Submission
Oct 2022	Pāua (PAU 5)	Otago - Fiordland	Submission
Nov 2022	Pāua	Kaikōura	Submission
Nov 2022	Habitats of particular significance	National	Submission
Feb 2023	Kina dredging	Tory Channel, Marlborough Sounds	Submission