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Hon David Parker  
Minister for Oceans and Fisheries

Dear Minister

As Chair of PauaMAC2 – the organisation which acts for the pāua fishing industry in PAU2 – I am pleased to present you with a copy of the draft **PAU2 (Wairarapa) Fisheries Plan**. The Plan sets out management measures that the industry will implement to help ensure the long-term sustainability of the PAU2 fishery, including strategies and actions for building a buffer of abundance in the PAU2 fishstock, protecting important pāua habitat, and enhancing industry performance.

Although the PAU2 Quota Management Area is extensive, this plan applies only in the area where commercial harvesting takes place – that is, from Turakirae Head to Blackhead.

PauaMAC2 seeks your formal approval of the Fisheries Plan under section 11A of the Fisheries Act 1996. We would like the Plan to be operational for the start of the 1 October 2023 fishing year and are liaising with your officials to ensure that this implementation date aligns with their work programmes.

In developing the draft Fisheries Plan, PauaMAC2 has consulted with all PAU2 quota owners and harvesters, including iwi quota owners. Over the coming months we will work with FNZ through the Iwi Fisheries Forum to ensure that iwi and hapū with non-commercial fishing rights and interests in the area covered by the plan have an opportunity to provide input.

The pāua industry's experience with fisheries plans elsewhere in the country is that the plans help to enhance engagement in fisheries management by pāua quota owners and harvesters, iwi, local communities, and non-commercial fishing sectors. We look forward to similar benefits arising in PAU2.

We invite your officials to keep in touch so that any issues that may arise can be discussed and resolved immediately, enabling the Plan to proceed through the statutory consultation and approval process in a timely manner. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information to assist in your consideration of the Plan.

Nga mihi toa

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