

Ministry for Primary Industries

UPDATE

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LARGE NUMBER OF SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED ON INDUSTRY'S PAUA REQUEST.

MPI is pleased with the response to its consultation on an industry request to open selected PAU5D areas to commercial fishing.

Consultation on the request closed on the 19th of April. The total number submissions received by MPI was 2740. These came from individuals and from organisations representing iwi, recreational fishers, quota holders and local agencies.

2718 of the submissions supported Option 1 (no change to the current closures), 22 supported Option 2 (open selected areas to allow commercial harvest).

MPI will analyse these submissions and provide advice to the Minister for Primary Industries on the request this month.