

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of application U190438 by The New Zealand King Salmon Company Limited for Coastal Permit (Marine Farm) – North of Cape Lambert, North Marlborough

BEFORE **Marlborough District Council (MDC)**

Minute # 3 of the Hearing Commissioners – Caucusing on Benthic Matters and Council Witness Addendum Timetable

1. The panel received a memorandum of counsel dated 9 November 2021 seeking directions regarding convening an expert benthic workshop prior to the reconvened hearing on 1 December 2021.
2. We have carefully considered the request and consider that it would be premature to convene a benthic workshop prior to 1 December 2021.
3. We would prefer to hear from the remainder of the submitters and the Council expert witnesses before we consider issuing directions with respect to possible expert caucusing.
4. We are aware that the Council expert witnesses are preparing addendums to their evidence based on what has already been presented at the hearing. The intention to update their primary evidence based on what they heard over the course of the hearing was outlined in their primary evidence.
5. In order to assist us with questioning during the next phase of the hearing process, we hereby direct that the Council expert witnesses provide their addendums by Thursday 25 November 2021.
6. I direct that the Administrator and Hearings Facilitator, Sue Bulfield-Johnston, circulate this minute and all information outlined above to all parties to the proceedings.

Dated: 11 November 2021.



Craig Welsh

Chairman