

A Marine Reserve for Great Barrier Island?

We want to know your opinions and ideas before we prepare a formal application for a marine reserve on the north-east coast of Great Barrier Island.

Your views are important, so make sure you have your say!

Please fill out this questionnaire and send it to:

Department of Conservation
Private Bag
Port Fitzroy
Great Barrier Island
Attn Jim Flack

If you want more information or to discuss any issues, contact Jim Flack at DOC Port Fitzroy, Ph 429 0238 email jflack@doc.govt.nz.

Name:

Address:

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Phone:

Organisation/iwi you represent (if any)

Position with above:

What is your involvement with Great Barrier Island?

- Resident
- Land or property owner
- Regular visitor
- Occasional visitor
- Overseas visitor
- Other (please tell us)

How often do you visit the north-east coast of Great Barrier (area shown on map over page)?

- Never
- Occasionally
- Often

How do you use the area, and which parts of it? (Please give details of use and location – you can mark areas on the map overleaf.)

- Customary fishing/harvesting
- Commercial fishing
- Recreational fishing
- Boating, including sailing, windsurfing, waterskiing
- Diving, including scuba and snorkelling
- Other recreation including swimming, sightseeing, walking, surfing, sunbathing
- Educational activities
- Scientific studies
- Other (please tell us what)

(Please tick all relevant boxes)

Do you support the principle of a marine reserve somewhere on the north-east coast of Great Barrier Island?

- Yes
- No

If your answer is No, why not?

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How do you think you might benefit from a marine reserve on the north-east coast?

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If you think any part of the Whangapoua Estuary should be excluded from the marine reserve proposal, please mark it on the map below and tell us your reasons.

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Are there any particular areas on the north-east coast and offshore waters that you think should not be protected as a marine reserve. If there are, please mark them on the map overleaf and tell us your reasons.

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Are there any other comments you would like to make about a marine reserve in the area? (Attach extra pages if required)

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Make sure you have given us your name, address and phone number so we can contact you to discuss any issues you have raised.
Please return this questionnaire by 31 March 2003.

Further questions proposed by option4
that were not included in DoC's submission

9 Do you support the "Area of Interest" as proposed to become a marine reserve?

Yes No

12 Have DoC advertised the process and distributed brochures to your satisfaction? Is their process adequate?

Yes No

10 Do you believe that a coordinated approach to marine protection is required before this marine reserve proposal (if it receives support from the public) goes forward as an Application?

Yes No

14 Do you have any additional comments to make?

11 Are you concerned that DoC has no intention of arranging public meetings in Auckland to consult with the public?

Yes No

13 Please indicate which of the following questions you would like DoC to answer as they justify the need for a marine reserve on the north-east coast of Great Barrier?

- What is so unique that it/they require the complete protection of a no take marine reserve in perpetuity?
- Why have de-facto marine reserves not been studied or proposed as marine reserves?
- Why is fishing the ONLY threat?
- What scientific study can be undertaken in a marine reserve that cannot be undertaken whilst fishing continues?
- How does DoC intend to address displaced fishing effort and the consequential decline in fishing success in the remaining fishing grounds?
- What are the fisheries benefits that arise from the declaration of a marine reserve? Where is the evidence of those benefits?
- How do marine reserves contribute to improved fishing success? Where is the evidence of those benefits?
- What cost/benefit analysis has been done to uphold the claims of economic benefits from tourism etc?
- Where else in NZ other than Leigh do marine reserves foster an eco-tourism economy?
- Are the Leigh and Poor Knights examples supported by any proper analysis, and how widely spread are the eco-tourism benefits in Leigh and Tutukaka?

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