LEG-19-SUB-0092

Cabinet Legislation Committee

Summary

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Wildlife Order 2019

Portfolio Conservation

Purpose This paper seeks authorisation for submission to the Executive Council of the Wildlife Order 2019 (the Order).

Previous Consideration On 13 June 2019, the Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee (ENV):

- noted that the Minister of Conservation proposed recommending to the Governor-General that the schedules to the Wildlife Act 1953 be amended by Order in Council under section 8 of that Act, so that pheasants and red-legged partridge are moved from Schedule 1 to Schedule 3 of Act for the land areas listed in Appendix 1 of the paper under ENV-19-SUB-0021, for a period of three years ending 6 May 2022;
- invited the Minister of Conservation to issue drafting instructions to the Parliamentary Counsel Office for an Order in Council to give effect to the intention above.

[ENV-19-MIN-0021]

Summary The Order gives effect to the above decisions.

Regulatory Impact Analysis A regulatory impact analysis was provided at the policy approvals stage.

Compliance Parliamentary Counsel certified the Order on 7 June 2019 as being in order for submission to Cabinet.

Timing Issues The Order comes into force on the 28th day after the date of its notification in the Gazette.

Announcement The New Zealand Fish and Game Council will advise the affected 16 game preserve operators, and also draw their attention to the 6 May 2022 expiry date and that all commercial upland game preserve businesses would need to cease to operate after that date.

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Proactive Release

The attached paper will be proactively released.

Consultation

Paper prepared by DoC. Treasury was consulted. DPMC (Prime Minister) was informed. The NZ Fish and Game Council and all operators of commercial game preserves were consulted as part of the policy development process were also consulted.

The Minister also indicates that New Zealand First, the Green Party and the Labour Party have been consulted.

The Minister of Conservation recommends that the Committee:

1 note that on 13 June 2019, the Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee agreed that pheasants and red-legged partridge be moved from Schedule 1 to Schedule 3 of the Wildlife Act for the land areas listed in Appendix 1 of the paper under ENV-19-SUB-0021, for a period of three years ending 6 May 2022 [ENV-19-MIN-0021];

2 note that the Wildlife Order 2019 would give effect to the decision referred to in paragraph 1 above;

3 authorise the submission to the Executive Council of the Wildlife Order 2019 [PCO 22129/4.0];

4 note that the Wildlife Order 2019 would come into force 28 days after its notification in the Gazette.

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