

Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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Progressing the Hauraki Gulf / Tīkapa Moana Marine Protection Bill

Portfolio Conservation

On 27 June 2024, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 **noted** that the Minister of Conservation is responsible for the Hauraki Gulf / Tīkapa Moana Marine Protection Bill (the Bill), which was reinstated in the 54th Parliament;
- 2 **noted** that the purpose of the Bill is to establish new marine protection areas to contribute to the restoration of the health and mauri of the Hauraki Gulf / Tīkapa Moana, while acknowledging customary rights;
- 3 **invited** the Minister of Conservation to report to Cabinet in due course seeking policy decisions on amendments to the Bill, including in relation to clause 4, and the interaction between customary fishing rights and the protected areas established by the Bill;
- 4 **agreed in principle** to progress the Bill through the House, subject to agreement to the proposed amendments referred to in paragraph 3 above.

Sam Moffett Committee Secretary

Present:

Rt Hon Winston Peters Hon David Seymour Hon Chris Bishop (Chair) Hon Judith Collins KC Hon Todd McClay Hon Tama Potaka Hon Simon Watts Hon Brooke van Velden Hon Nicole McKee Hon Shane Jones Hon Casey Costello Hon Andrew Bayly Hon Andrew Hoggard Hon Scott Simpson, MP Jamie Arbuckle, MP **Officials present from:** Office of the Leader of the House Officials Committee for LEG