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Tēnā koe,

**Bledisloe North Wharf and Fergusson North Berth Extension [FTAA-2503-1028: Department of Conservation (DOC) response to invitation to comment in accordance with sections 70 and 72 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024**

Thank you for inviting DOC to comment as per Minute 5 of the expert panel in relation to FTAA-2503-1028, this is DOC's response to that invitation.

**Wildlife approval**

**General comment**

In relation to paragraphs 4 and 5 of Minute 5, DOC can confirm it considers the LPMP as per Appendix A of the Section 51 Wildlife Report DOC appropriate.

**Conditions**

Given the panel's preference documented in Minute 5, DOC has no further comment on conditions.

**Resource consent**

**General comment**

DOC supports the application given that the key substantive conservation matters are addressed through conditions (and given the wildlife approval and the associated conditions and LPMP).

**Conditions**

DOC has no further comment on conditions.

Again, we thank you for the opportunity to comment. Please let DOC know if you require any further information.

Ngā mihi,



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