

From: [Ben Bunting](#)
To: [Rebecca Clarkson](#); [FTAreferrals](#)
Cc: info@fasttrack.govt.nz
Subject: [COMMERCIAL]Re: Change of applicant name on spat research application
Date: Thursday, 12 February 2026 1:18:20 pm

Thanks Rebecca - acknowledging your email has been received.

[@FTAreferrals](#) - please add this to the project file.

Nga mihi

Ben

Ben Bunting ([he/him](#))

Principal Advisor - Delivery and Operations

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From: Rebecca Clarkson s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Thursday, 12 February 2026 1:15 pm
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Subject: RE: Change of applicant name on spat research application

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Hi again Ben, further to my previous emails, North Western Mussels Limited would surrender AUTH139018 and/or withdraw APP145011 if this was deemed necessary in order to qualify for referral for Fast-track or to qualify to make a substantive application once referred.

Ngā mihi, Rebecca

From: Rebecca Clarkson
Sent: Thursday, 12 February 2026 1:13 pm
To: 'Christin Atchinson' s 9(2)(a)
Cc: info@fasttrack.govt.nz; s 9(2)(a)
Subject: Change of applicant name on spat research application

Kia ora Christin, further to the consent transfer request I have just sent through for AUTH139018, I am writing to request that the name of the applicant be changed from Gulf Mussels Limited to North Western Mussels Limited for APP145011 which seeks authorisation for mussel spat catching and seaweed research structures (limited number of research structures to be placed and moved around anywhere within the Waikato west coast coastal marine area (CMA) except harbours).

The purpose of the name change is to ensure that APP145011 would not be considered a competing

application under 21(5)(g) of the FTAA.

Ngā mihi nui, Rebecca

Ngā mihi,

REBECCA CLARKSON | **PRINCIPAL ADVISOR**

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16 February 2026

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Dear Sir/Madam

Transfer of Resource Consent Number AUTH139018.01.01 & APP145011

Further to correspondence concerning the transfer of consent from Gulf Mussel Farms Limited to North Western Mussels Limited, effective from 12 February 2026, please find the documents evidencing this consent enclosed. Please keep this resource consent in a safe place as it is an important legal document.

You should also note the following:

- i. Only the holder of this consent or their agent may exercise this consent, and then only for the purposes specifically authorised by this consent.
- ii. Those exercising this consent must comply with the conditions of the consent at all times.
- iii. The holder of this right will incur annual charges for holding this consent, and may also incur costs associated with monitoring, inspecting and reporting on the exercise of this consent.
- iv. Should you no longer wish to perform the activity authorised by this consent you may wish to surrender the consent so as to cease your liability for charges. In addition, should you sell the property or the operation to which this consent relates, you may wish to transfer this consent to the new owner. If you wish to facilitate either of these actions, please forward this resource consent document to this office and advise the Regional Council of your wishes.

Should you have any further queries on these matters do not hesitate to contact staff at our Hamilton office quoting the above reference.

Yours faithfully



Tracey Chappell
Rud Consent Administration Officer
Resource Use