

Coastal Resources Limited marine dumping consent application

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NZMOA represents 95% of all marinas in New Zealand. The Association is active in promoting our industry and works with its members to improve knowledge, advance operating standards, promote investment, training of staff and support maritime development generally.

New Zealand is short of economic dredging disposal sites. This application provides for some capacity for our industry and therefore where such a site is available to be accessed by the industry there is real value to our members.

NZMOA support the application in full. Marine dredging (both capital and maintenance) is a critical component for the construction and operation of marinas, marine based infrastructure and other coastal activities.

In New Zealand, marine dumping of dredged spoil has been the traditional method for disposal and reflects that generally there is no economic or efficient land based disposal method. Historically in Auckland, some dredged material has been used in reclamations but the ability for new reclamations to be consented is now very limited. From our perspective, the Northern Disposal Area is a practical location for disposal in terms of potential source sites.

Although Table 3 of the Impact Assessment outlines possible future sources of spoil, we wish to reiterate that this is not a complete list as other projects may arise during the life of the project which will need to use the site and which potential users or Coastal Resources cannot identify at this stage.

The granting of the marine dumping permit at the volume sought by the applicant will provide certainty to potential users over the years that:

- 1 There is adequate capacity each year at the site for disposal from projects;
- 2 The required testing regime for spoil to be disposed of at the site is known; and
- 3 The cost of disposal can be quantified over time and built into the cost of projects.

We support the granting of the Marine Dumping Consent with the conditions recommended in the application.