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NOTICE OF DECISION

Fisheries and Fisheries (Fees, Royalties and Levies) Amendment (Recreational Fishery Licences) Regulations 2016

I, Jaala Pulford, Minister for Agriculture, and Minister responsible for administering the **Fisheries Act 1995**, give notice under section 12 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** that the proposed Fisheries and Fisheries (Fees, Royalties and Levies) Amendment (Recreational Fishery Licences) Regulations 2016 have been the subject of a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS). Public comments and submissions were invited and 105 submissions were received.

After consideration of these submissions in accordance with section 11 of the Act, I have further considered the proposed Fisheries and Fisheries (Fees, Royalties and Levies) Amendment (Recreational Fishery Licences) Regulations 2016 and I give notice of my intention to proceed with the making of the Regulations as proposed. My reasons for making this decision are that since recreational fishery licence fees were last increased in 2008, demands on the Recreational Fishery Licence Trust Account have increased significantly as more people participate in recreational fishing. As identified in the RIS, further investment in the sector is required and raising more revenue through increased licence fees is justified.

Based on analysis of the issues raised in the submissions, I consider that the submissions did not raise any new issues or information that was not already examined and considered in the RIS that would warrant the Regulations not being made as proposed.

Dated 9 June 2016

HON. JAALA PULFORD MP
Minister for Agriculture

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