

Kenepuru & Central Sounds



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Dear Dr Smith

Kermadec Ocean Sanctuary- And now a Recreational Fishing Park for the Marlborough Sounds?

On behalf of the Association I wish to offer my congratulations on the announcement by you and the Prime Minister on the establishment of the Kermadec Ocean Sanctuary. At twice the landmass of New Zealand it is indeed a bold world-class move!

We appreciate that no doubt there was much hard behind-the-scenes effort to achieve this outcome but we were amazed at how speedily and easily this initiative seemed to come about.

Accordingly, we are keen to see your considerable energy and talent being applied to bring about the National Party's pre-election promise to make the Sounds into a recreational-only Fin Fish Park.

We have been discussing the matter with our local MP (Stuart Smith) who has assured us that work was indeed underway. Accordingly, we were pleased to see Minister Guy announcing last Thursday that a discussion paper will be released on this matter before Christmas.

We will be awaiting that paper with some interest (the earlier the better) and in the meantime ask that you continue to champion this excellent and long over due initiative.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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