

New Zealand invites views on Hauraki Gulf Fisheries Plan

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Fisheries Department New Zealand has invited people's views on a draft Fisheries Plan to help restore and protect the Hauraki Gulf.

Emma Taylor, Director fisheries management, said, 'Revitalising the Hauraki Gulf: Government action on the sea change plan' is one of the key long-term fisheries management actions in the Government's strategy, Revitalising the Gulf, which seeks to restore the waiora and mauri of one of New Zealand's most important marine environments.

"The draft Fisheries Plan has 3 outcomes focused on the environment, sustainable utilisation, and better governance, and includes new approaches for managing fisheries in the Hauraki Gulf.

"It seeks to support sustainable fisheries and the recovery and protection of key habitats and species, as well as encouraging greater local input to strengthen fisheries management and support a healthier Gulf for generations to come," Taylor said.

The draft Plan will be supported by the development of fisheries indicators and a monitoring framework to measure progress over time. If approved, it will be New Zealand's first area-based fisheries plan.