

22 September 2014

Dear HOK Quota Owner,

HOK Management 2014-15 Fishing Year

DWG is pleased to advise that:

- For the past 5 years the hoki East/West catch limits have been well adhered to
- The costs to industry (to both DWG and to Quota Owners) of administering this regime have been reduced by approximately 75% by FishServe

For 2014-15, DWG has:

- Contracted FishServe to again monitor HOK1 catches against the East and West Catch Limits including recording and balancing catch with ACE and reporting to DWG and to MPI.
- Removed from the Hoki Fisheries Operational Procedures (OP) the requirement to notify entry to and exit from Hoki Management Areas as improved monitoring by MPI has negated this need (1 Oct to 30 Jun 2014 report attached for your information).

The 2011-12 Hoki Fisheries OP, which supports management of specific areas where juvenile hoki are likely to be encountered, remains otherwise unchanged.

What is included in this email?

It is necessary to again seek formal sign-off of the Hoki Fisheries E/W Catch Limit Agreement for 2014-15. Accompanying this letter:

- Explanatory Memorandum describing the Hoki Fisheries E/W Catch Limit management process (which is unchanged from previous years).
- The Hoki Fisheries E/W Catch Limit Agreement for 2014-15 (with the execution form in Schedule 2 which requires signing).
- Authorisation form for FishServe to obtain each permit holder's relevant catch and landing records from the Ministry to enable them to monitor HOK E and W ACE holdings and to balance catches against these holdings (which also must be signed).

What do we require from you?

DWG require you to please:

- Read and understand the attached documents
- Sign and return to DWG the Hoki Fisheries E/W Catch Limit Agreement execution form (Schedule 2 of the Agreement) by e-mail to admin@deepwatergroup.org
- Sign and return to DWG the MPI-FishServe authorisation for catch data release to admin@deepwatergroup.org
- If you are an ACE holder and/or operator of trawler(s) greater than 28 m LOA then please ensure that there is a copy of the current Hoki Fisheries Operational Procedures on each of your vessels and please ensure that all crew are fully briefed and understand their obligations. The current OPs can be acquired free of charge from DWG on request.



Should you require any further information or clarification please don't hesitate to contact Richard Wells on 021 457 123 or by e-mail to richard@resourcewise.co.nz

Signed forms can be sent by:

- Post: Private Bag 24901, Wellington 6142, New Zealand
- Email scanned copy of both forms (execution and authorisation) to admin@deepwatergroup.org.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "G. Clement", written in a cursive style.

George Clement
Chief Executive