

Application to Film Marine Mammals

Pursuant to section 5(5) of the Marine Mammals Protection Act 1978, and to a delegation from the Minister of Conservation, the Operations Manager, Aotea/Great Barrier Island, Department of Conservation, notifies that he has received a permit application from A.R.D.S. Limited for persons to be in the water with juvenile dolphins and to use a drone closer than 150m horizontally to marine mammals for the purpose of filming, from the Kermadec Islands to the East Cape.

A copy of the application can be obtained from the Department of Conservation, Christchurch Shared Services Unit, Private Bag 4715, Christchurch Mail Centre, Christchurch 8140, or online at <http://www.doc.govt.nz/get-involved/have-your-say/open-for-your-comment>.

Any person wishing to make a submission on this application can do so by writing to the Operations Manager, Aotea/Great Barrier Island, Department of Conservation, c/- Bethan Parry, Christchurch Shared Services Unit, Private Bag 4715, Christchurch Mail Centre, Christchurch 8140, or permissionschristchurch@doc.govt.nz, within 28 days after publication of this notice in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

Unless a person making a submission states to the contrary in the submission, that person will be deemed to give his/her consent to the release under the Official Information Act 1982 of all the information in the submission.

Dated at Auckland this 28th day of June 2019.

GEORGE TAYLOR, Operations Manager, Aotea/Great Barrier Island, Department of Conservation.