

Māori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement (Extension to Waikato West Region Negotiation Period) Notice 2025 (Notice No. MPI 1924)

This notice is made under section 11(3) of the Maori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement Act 2004.

Notice

1. Title

This notice is the Māori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement (Extension to Waikato West Region Negotiation Period) Notice 2025.

2. Commencement

This notice comes into force on **31 March 2025**.

3. Interpretation

In this notice:

Act means the Maori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement Act 2004

Waikato West region negotiation period means the period within two years of receipt of the first resource consent application in the Waikato West region, within which the Crown must use its best endeavours to negotiate and enter into regional agreements that provide for the Crown to meet its obligations in respect of new space for that region. The Waikato West region negotiation period has been extended three times previously under section 11(3) of the Act and is due to expire on 31 March 2025 (see [New Zealand Gazette, 25 March 2024, Notice No. 2024-go1307](#)).

Region has the same meaning as in section 4 of the Act.

4. Extension to negotiation period

The Waikato West region negotiation period is extended to 31 March 2026.

Dated at Wellington this 26th day of March 2025.

HON SHANE JONES, Minister for Oceans and Fisheries.