

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT CHRISTCHURCH
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IN THE MATTER	of the Resource Management Act 1991
AND	appeals under clause 14 of the First Schedule of the Act
BETWEEN	SOUTHLAND FISH AND GAME COUNCIL (ENV-2018-CHC-37)
AND	ROYAL FOREST AND BIRD PROTECTION SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED (ENV-2018-CHC-50)
	Appellants
AND	SOUTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL Respondent

**MINUTE OF THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
(17 June 2026)**

[1] On 26 May 2026 the Southland Regional Council (the Council) filed a memorandum updating the court on legislative changes pertaining to the timeframes for submitting freshwater farm plans for certification.¹

[2] The Council indicated that brief submissions could be provided if



¹ Memorandum to the court dated 26 May 2026.

necessary, on the implications of this change.

[3] The court would be assisted by brief submissions on this issue.

Directions

[4] Accordingly, I direct:

- (a) brief submissions by the Council by **Wednesday 24 June 2026**; and
- (b) any submissions in reply by **Wednesday 1 July 2026**.

[5] Leave is granted to any party to seek further (or amended) directions.



K G Reid
Environment Judge

Issued: 17 June 2026

