

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT CHRISTCHURCH
I TE KŌTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA
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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 & GAME
COUNCIL

(ENV-2018-CHC-37)

ROYAL FOREST & BIRD
PROTECTION SOCIETY OF
NEW ZEALAND
INCORPORATED

(ENV-2018-CHC-50)

Appellants

AND SOUTHLAND REGIONAL
COUNCIL

Respondent

**MINUTE OF THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
(9 September 2025)**

Introduction

[1] Counsel for the Southland District Council (the Council) has filed a memorandum as directed with a proposed timetable to hearing. Parties were consulted and all parties are in agreement with the directions sought.

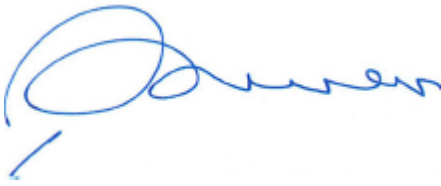


Directions

[2] Accordingly, I direct:

- (a) will say statements on behalf of the Council are to be filed by **Wednesday 10 September 2025**;
- (b) evidence on behalf of the Council is to be filed by **Wednesday 17 September 2025**;
- (c) evidence on behalf of those parties in support of the Council's evidence is to be filed by **Wednesday 24 September 2025**;
- (d) evidence in opposition to the Council's evidence is to be filed by **Wednesday 8 October 2025**;
- (e) evidence in rebuttal, if any, is to be filed by **Wednesday 15 October 2025**;
- (f) the Council is to file an electronic evidence bundle and four evidence bundles in hard copy with the court by **Friday 17 October 2025**;
- (g) legal submissions are to be filed contemporaneously by **Friday 17 October 2025**;
- (h) the parties are to file a joint memorandum by **Friday 17 October 2025** specifying:
 - (i) whether there are witnesses that counsel does not intend to cross-examine. The court will advise parties prior to the hearing whether witnesses can be excused or whether they will be required for the purposes of answering questions from the court;
 - (ii) realistic estimates for cross-examination of other evidence; and
 - (iii) a proposed order (and timings) for witnesses.
- (i) there will be a three day hearing, commencing **Tuesday 21 October 2025**.

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



K G Reid
Environment Judge

Issued: 9 September 2025