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Dear Mr Baker

On behalf of the Minister of Fisheries, Hon Jim Anderton, I thank you for your letter on behalf of the North Island East Coast Recreational Fishing Forum dated 21 July 2006. You have enclosed an advice paper to the Minister on the proposed Aotea/Great Barrier Island Marine Reserve Proposal.

I have placed the forum's advice paper before the Minister for his information and also forwarded the paper to the Ministry of Fisheries. It will be analysed by Ministry officials and will, at a later date, be provided to the Minister, along with other relevant information, to assist him in making a decision on whether to grant concurrence to this proposal.

Yours sincerely

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