



## THE FISHERIES (SOUTH ISLAND WHITEBAIT CONSERVATION AREAS) NOTICE 1983

PURSUANT to section 89 of the Fisheries Act 1983 and the Fisheries (Amateur Fishing) Regulations 1983, the Director-General of Agriculture and Fisheries hereby gives the following notice.

### NOTICE

**1. Title and commencement**—(1) This notice may be cited as the Fisheries (South Island Whitebait Conservation Areas) Notice 1983.

(2) This notice shall come into force on the 1st day of January 1984.

**2. Interpretation**—(1) In this notice, the term “whitebait” means those fish commonly called whitebait, being—

(a) The young or fry of the following *Galaxias* species:

(i) *Galaxias maculatus* (inanga):

(ii) *Galaxias brevipinnis* (koaro):

(iii) *Galaxias argenteus* (giant kokopu):

(iv) *Galaxias postvectis* (short jawed kokopu):

(v) *Galaxias fasciatus* (banded kokopu):

(b) The young or fry of the fish of which the scientific name is *Retropinna retropinna*:

(2) Words and expressions in this notice which are defined in the Fisheries Act 1983 and the Fisheries (Amateur Fishing) Regulations 1983 shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the meanings so defined.

**3. Conservation areas for whitebait fishing on the West Coast of the South Island**—No person shall, at any time, take whitebait from any of the following areas:

(a) The Mahinapua Creek to the south side of the Hokitika River, and any tributary thereof, including Lake Mahinapua and any stream running into that lake; and including the south bank of the Hokitika River from a point 20 m upstream of the entrance of Mahinapua Creek to the sea:

(b) Fisherman’s Creek on the south bank of the Hokitika River and any tributary thereof:

(c) The area known as the Hapuka River (including the south bank of the Turnball River) from a point 20 m upstream from the Hapuka River to the sea:

(d) Any tributary stream of the Waitototo River and the waters of the Waitototo River above the mean high-water mark:

- (e) The north bank of the Cascade River between a point 20 m upstream from Old Man Creek to the sea:
- (f) The area known as Barn Creek on the Cascade River, and any tributary stream thereof.
- (g) All rivers, streams, and tributaries thereof which flow to the sea in Fiordland between Yates Point in the north and Puysegur Point in the south:
- (h) The area of about 2.428 hectares known as Kongahu Swamp located north of Granite Creek to the east of the main road to Karamea township and approximately 6.5 km south of that township.

Dated at Wellington this 21st day of December 1983.

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Assistant Director-General of Agriculture and Fisheries.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.*

This notice prohibits the taking of all whitebait from specified waters in the South Island.

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This notice is administered in the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries