

BEFORE A RESTRICTED COASTAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

UNDER

The Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER OF

A resource consent application to discharge dredging spoil in the Otago Harbour

Port of Otago Limited – 2010.193
2000.472 (ammendments)

EVIDENCE

1. Introduction

1.1. Tamati Langsbury. Dive & Surf Instructor

1.2. I will now present my evidence, on behalf of myself and Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou, on resource consent application 2010.193 & 2000.472 by Port of Otago Limited.

2. My Concerns

2.1. Loss of habitations for shellfish and other marine life, recreational use e.g, surfing Aramoana, Spearfishing, fishing and collecting kaimoana

3. Summary

3.1. Concerns about the change in the environment such as loss of cod holes, possible loss of the tuatua bed on the outer harbour, due to the dumping of sand. We also may lose scallops, oyster beds, crayfish, pipis and changing our surfing beaches which we use recreationally in the weekends

4. Conclusions & Recommendations

4.1. Conclusion – I think it is very important to look at those beds and do counts, as previously the damage done was the loss of a fishing & mussel beds at Kamaurua as this was wiped out and recommendations – All dumping should be done at the 21K mark which is deeper water and we would get a greater displacement

That concludes the evidence of Tamati Langsbury

Thank you.