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Contract Wild Animal Control New Zealand 27B Ramparts Road RD1 Te Anau 9679 *CC*: <u>permissions@epa.govt.nz</u> Delivery Planner (Biodiversity)

REVOCATION PERMISSION ID DOC-5909386 WET JACKET – STOAT, RAT AND POSSUM CONTROL OPERATION

Permission was granted under Permission 5909386 on 24 April 2019 for (2010) Contract Wild Animal Control New Zealand, to apply sodium fluoroacetate (1080) cereal pellet aerially and hand laid on 40 000ha of the Wet Jacket treatment area, being part of Fiordland National Park.

The purpose of the operation was to control possums, rats and stoats.

Rodent densities in the operational area are, however, not yet at a level where the Department of Conservation is confident the operation would achieve the benefits to make this operation worthwhile.

The Wet Jacket predator control operation, which was planned for May / June 2019, has not occurred. Rodent monitoring is continuing, and an operation may still be desirable within the next 12 months. The site contains important populations of kiwi, along with rockwren and kea and other species. Wet Jacket is a key site for Fiordland tokoeka.

As the operation is not proceeding this year, I have decided to revoke Permission 5909386 to take immediate effect. I note that this is not as a result of any action or inaction of your part as the permission holder, but solely as a result of the low rodent densities making the operation not viable in 2019. The notice of revocation under section 95A(7) of the HSNO Act 1996 is attached. This letter serves as notice of revocation under the National Parks Act 1980 and Conservation Act 1987.

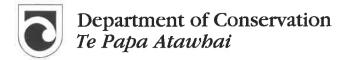
Thank you for your continuing support. If you wish to discuss this revocation please



Hilary Aikman, Director National Operations

Pursuant to a written delegation from:

- The Chief Executive, Environmental Protection Authority for section 95A of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996
- The Minister of Conservation for the National Parks Act 1980 and Conservation Act 1987



NOTICE OF REVOCATION OF PERMISSION to use vertebrate toxic agent

Pursuant to section 95A (7) of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996

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Of Contract Wild Animal Control New Zealand 27B Ramparts Road RD1 Te Anau 9679

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DOC Permission ID 5909386

I Hilary Aikman,

acting under powers delegated by the Environmental Protection Authority (the Authority), REVOKE pursuant to section 95A(7) of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996 the permission issued to you on 24 April 2019 to use sodium fluoroacetate (1080) cereal pellet aerially and hand laid on 40 000ha of the Wet Jacket treatment area, being part of Fiordland National Park. This revocation takes effect immediately.

Signed ^{s 9(2)(a)}

Hilary Aikman

Director National Operations

DATE: 22/Oct/2019

Notice:

Section 125 (1A): A person may appeal to the District Court against a decision of the Authority, under section 95A, declining to grant the person a licence or revoking a licence held by the person.



Department of Conservation *Te Papa Atawhai*

24 April 2019

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ATTENTION:

PERMISSION ID DOC-5909386 WETJACKET – STOAT, RAT AND POSSUM CONTROL OPERATION

Permission is granted under:

- Section 95A of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996
- Section 49(1) of the National Parks Act 1980
- Section 17Q(1) Conservation Act 1987

for ^{\$9(2)(a)} Contract Wild Animal Control New Zealand, or any other person acting under his or her authority to apply Sodium fluoroacetate 1.5g/kg Cereal pellet aerially and hand laid on or after 1 May 2019 until 30 April 2020 on the lands listed below and shown on the **attached map**:

1. 40 000ha of the Wetjacket treatment area, A National Park under the National Parks Act 1980

Non-toxic prefeed may be applied no earlier than 1 May 2019.

I understand this operation is being undertaken for the purpose of controlling stoats, rats and possums in an attempt to protect the health and integrity of fauna species susceptible to predation by rats, stoats and possums in this area, particularly Southern Fiordland Tokoeka. The permission is given subject to the requirement that the operation:

- Is carried out as described in the Application Form submitted 29 March 2019.
- Meets the conditions shown in the attached sheets of DOC Performance Standards for Pesticide Uses Numbers 1 and 2.
- Has a readiness check completed to my satisfaction prior to any application of non-toxic or toxic bait?

Department of Conservation - *Te Papa Atawhai* Whakatipu-wai-Māori / Queenstown Office PO Box 811, Queenstown 9348 Auditing may occur to establish whether those conditions are being met. If not, the permission will be revoked and further action may ensue.

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Aaron Fleming Director Operations, Southern South Island

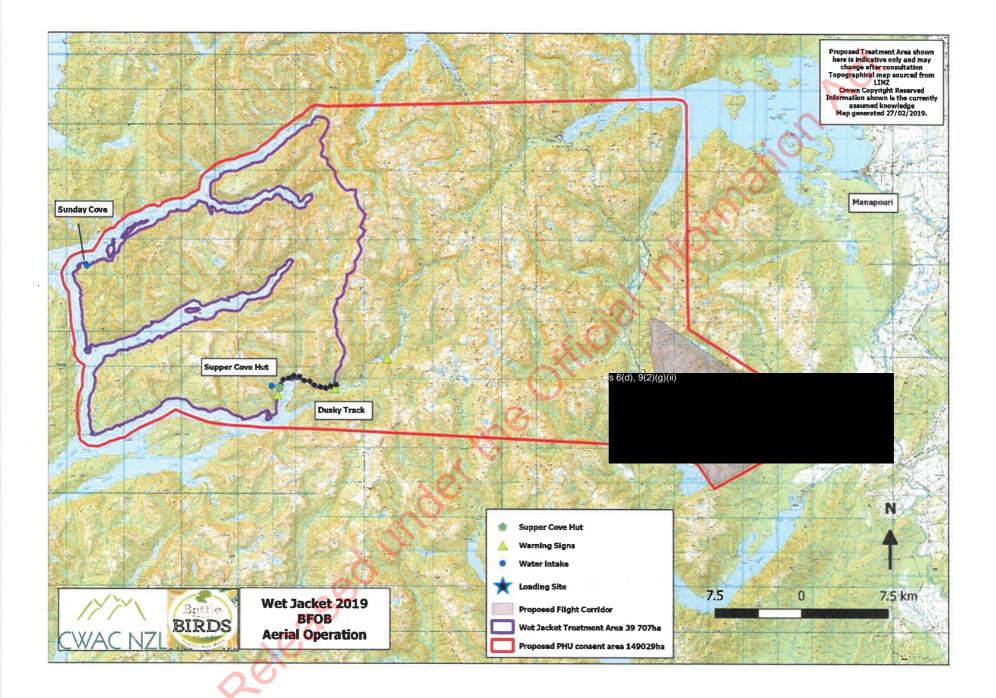
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- The Minister of Conservation under Section 49(1) of the National Parks Act 1980 and under Section 17O(1) Conservation Act 1987

Enc: **Map(s)** (meeting standards in Appendix 2 of the Application Form)

DOC Performance Standards Application Assessment Report (DOCCM-5899832) a Released under the

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Pesticide	Sodium fluoroacetate 1.5g/kg Cereal pellet	Target Pests:
Use #1		Possums, Rats

Location of operation

Wet Jacket



Caution Period

The estimated caution period for this operation is 9 months after last date of bait application and is subject to compulsory bait and carcass monitoring. This estimated caution period cannot be reduced to less than 4 months, and must be extended if the endpoints for monitoring have not been met at the end of the period.

Performance Standards

Compulsory for all operations

- 1. For operations targeting rats, prefeed with this pesticide use.
- 2. The DOC Code of practice for aerial 1080 in kea habitat DOC-2612859 must be followed.
- 3. Flight paths to and from the bait loading zones by aircraft equipped with loaded or uncleaned bait sowing equipment must avoid: stocked paddocks, residential dwellings, and any other 'no fly zones' specified by consent providers.
- 4. An aircraft must not, when flying to or from the treatment area, fly over a public drinking water supply or waterway that is less than 100 metres upstream of a point of extraction from a water source for a drinking water supply (not being a water supply exclusively for stock).
- 5. For operations targeting possums, baits will have a mean size in excess of 6g and 95% of baits should weigh more than 4g.
- 6. The baits must be dyed green or blue.
- 7. The boundaries of the bait preparation and loading site are marked and loading site signs <u>docdm-181171</u> erected. At the end of every day of the operation (including the final day), the loading site and any storage area must be fenced so that people do not inadvertently enter the site and stock cannot gain access to the area. The fence and signs remain in place until the area is decontaminated.
- 8. If there is any likelihood that farm stock has been exposed to 1080, the owner must be advised as soon as possible, and stock removed from the area.
- 9. The product must only be used as specified on the manufacturer's product label.

Compulsory for this operation

 The DOC Method Best Practice for Battle for our Birds Aerial 1080 baiting <u>DOC-2749355</u> must be followed

Information Needs

Compulsory for <u>all</u> operations Nil Compulsory for this operation Nil

Operational Planning & Design Considerations

- Apply bait in coldest months of year.
- For operations targeting possums, do not repeat aerial operations within 4 years using the same bait.
- Current Agreed Best Practice Possum Control Aerial Application of 1080 Cereal Pellets docdm-341728
- Current Agreed Best Practice Rat Control Aerial Application of 1080 Cereal Bait docdm-29375

My approval dated is subject to these performance standards being met. Compliance monitoring may occur. s 9(2)(a) reading the official intermediates of the official intermediates o

Pesticide	Sodium fluoroacetate 1.5g/kg Cereal pellet	Target Pests:
Use #2	Handlaying (0.15% 1080 pellet)	Possums, Rats

Location of operation

Wet Jacket



Caution Period

The estimated caution period for this operation is 9 months after last date of bait application and is subject to compulsory bait and carcass monitoring. This estimated caution period cannot be reduced to less than 4 months, and must be extended if the endpoints for monitoring have not been met at the end of the period.

Performance Standards

Compulsory for <u>all</u> operations

- 1. For operations targeting rats, prefeed with this pesticide use.
- 2. For operations targeting possums, baits will have a mean size in excess of 6g and 95% of baits should weigh more than 4g.
- 3. The baits must be dyed green or blue.
- 4. The product must only be used as specified on the manufacturer's product label.
- Compulsory for this operation
- 5. The DOC Code of practice for aerial 1080 in kea habitat DOC-2612859 must be followed.

Information Needs

Compulsory for <u>all</u> operations Nil

Compulsory for this operation

- 1. Monitoring: For operations targeting possums, follow best practice for pre and post control result monitoring to estimate percentage kill and report results in operational report.
- Monitoring: Monitor for native non-target animals in operational area, send samples for residue testing and report search effort and results in operational report. The Vertebrate Pesticides Residue Database SOP <u>docdm 33461</u> applies.

Operational Planning & Design Considerations

Current Agreed Best Practice – Possum Control – Handlaying 1080 Cereal Pellets docdm-29797.

My approval dated being met. Compliance monitoring may occur.

is subject to these performance standards

Aaron Fleming, Director Operations, Southern South Island