

# Concession Document (Conforming Guiding Permit)

Concession Number: ~&~PermissionPermissionNumber^&^

THIS CONCESSION is made this [Date] day of [Month] 20[XX]

#### **PARTIES:**

**Minister of Conservation** (the Grantor)

~&~HolderTableLegalName^&^ (the Concessionaire)

#### **BACKGROUND**

- **A.** The Department of Conservation ("Department") Te Papa Atawhai is responsible for managing and promoting conservation of the natural and historic heritage of New Zealand on behalf of, and for the benefit of, present and future New Zealanders.
- **B.** The Department is under the control of the Grantor.
- **C.** The carrying out of these functions may result in the Grantor granting concessions to carry out activities on public conservation land.
- **D.** The Grantor administers the public conservation land described in Schedule 1 as the Land.
- **E.** The Conservation legislation applying to the Land authorises the Grantor to grant a concession over the Land.
- **F.** The Concessionaire wishes to carry out the Concession Activity on the Land subject to the terms and conditions of this Concession.
- **G.** The Concessionaire acknowledges that the land may be the subject of Treaty of Waitangi claims.
- **H.** The parties wish to record the terms and conditions of this Concession and its Schedules.

#### **OPERATIVE PARTS**

I. In exercise of the Grantor's powers under the Conservation legislation the Grantor **GRANTS** to the Concessionaire a **CONFORMING GUIDING PERMIT** to carry out the Concession Activity on the Land subject to the terms and conditions contained in this Concession and its Schedules.

Select one only of the following execution clauses and delete the other four

1. Individual

SIGNED on behalf of the Minister of Conservation by [name and title of delegate]

| acting under delegated authority                                                                                                    | SIGNED by [name of concessionaire if individual]                                                                             |
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| in the presence of:                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                              |
|                                                                                                                                     | in the presence of:                                                                                                          |
| Witness Signature Witness Name: Witness Occupation: Witness Address:                                                                | Witness Signature Witness Name: Witness Occupation: Witness Address:                                                         |
| A copy of the Instrument of Delegation may<br>be inspected at the Director-General's office<br>at 18-22 Manners Street, Wellington. | 2. Company with more than one Director                                                                                       |
|                                                                                                                                     | SIGNED for [name of company] Limited by: Director [name of Director] AND                                                     |
|                                                                                                                                     | SIGNED for [name of company] Limited by: Director [name of Director]                                                         |
|                                                                                                                                     | 3. if you have checked the Company records at the Company's office and have confirmed that the Company has only one Director |
|                                                                                                                                     | SIGNED for [name of company] Limited by its Director [name of Director] in the presence of:                                  |

| Witness Signature                          |
|--------------------------------------------|
| Witness Name:                              |
| Witness Occupation:                        |
| Witness Address:                           |
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| 4. Partnership                             |
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| SIGNED on behalf of [name of partnership]  |
| By [name of authorised signatory]          |
| by [name of authorised signatory]          |
| in the presence of                         |
| in the presence of:                        |
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| Witness Signature                          |
| Witness Name:                              |
| Witness Occupation:                        |
| Witness Address:                           |
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| 5. Incorporated Society                    |
| The seal of [name of incorporated society] |
| was affixed in the presence of :           |
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| Authorised Signatory                       |
| [name]                                     |
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|                                            |
| Authorised Signatory                       |
| [name]                                     |
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# SCHEDULE 1

| Land<br>(Schedule 3)              | As listed in Schedule 3 (clause 1)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |  |  |  |
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| Concession Activity<br>(clause 2) | Guided walking on Conforming Tracks in (list regions) more specifically as listed in Schedule 3 (condition 1) together with rights of vehicular access over formed roads and use of formed car parks located on public conservation land and which service the Land for the purposes of guided walking only.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |  |  |  |
| Term<br>(clause 3)                | Five (5) years zero months commencing on e.g. 01 March 2025                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |  |  |  |
| Renewal(s) (clause 3)             | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |
| Final Expiry Date (clause 3)      | e.g. 28 December 2030                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  |  |  |  |
| Concession Fee<br>(clause 4)      | Annual Activity Fee:  \$15.00 plus GST per adult client guided per full day (defined as a period of more than 4 hours but not more than a calenda day);  \$7.50 plus GST per adult client guided per half day (a half da being defined as more than 1 hour but no more than 4 hours) and  \$2.00 plus GST per adult client guided per hour or less.  Fees are based on the amount of time guiding takes place on Public Conservation Land during a calendar day (the 24-hour period from 12:00am to 11.59 pm).  For any client charged by the Concessionaire at a reduced rat as a 'child', the annual activity fee is to be half the adult client concession activity fee.  Annual Management Fee:  \$400.00 plus GST per annum  Monitoring Fee:  Standard Departmental charge-out rates for staff time and |  |  |  |  |
| Activity Returns Dates (clause 6) | Annually in arrears                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Concession Fee</b>             | As specified on invoice                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |  |  |  |  |
|                                   | Concession Activity (clause 2)  Term (clause 3)  Renewal(s) (clause 3)  Final Expiry Date (clause 3)  Concession Fee (clause 4)  Activity Returns Dates (clause 6)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |  |  |  |

|            | Payment Date(s)                                 |                                                                            |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|            | (clause 4)                                      |                                                                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9.         | <b>Penalty Interest Rate</b>                    | Double the current Official Cash Rate (OCR).                               |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>y</i> . | (clause 4)                                      | See Reserve Bank of New Zealand website                                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10.        | Concession Fee<br>Review Date(s)<br>(clause 5)  | e.g. 01 March 2030, 01 March 2035                                          |  |  |  |  |  |
|            | Health and Safety                               | Audited Safety Plan: Required                                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11.        | (clause 12)                                     | Auditors certificate of approval to be provided to Grantor                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12.        | Concessionaire<br>Identification<br>(clause 23) | Required                                                                   |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | Types and amounts:                                                         |  |  |  |  |  |
|            | Insurance                                       | Public Liability Insurance for:                                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13.        | (To be obtained by                              | (a) General indemnity for an amount no less than \$1,000,000.00; and       |  |  |  |  |  |
|            | Concessionaire) (clause 11)                     | (b) Third party vehicle liability for an amount no less than \$500,000.00. |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | Subject to review on each Concession Fee Review Date                       |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | The Grantor's address is:                                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | Physical Address:                                                          |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | Department of Conservation                                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | 265 Princes Street                                                         |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | Dunedin 9016                                                               |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14.        | Addresses for<br>Notices                        | Postal Address:                                                            |  |  |  |  |  |
|            | (clause 21)                                     | Department of Conservation                                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | Att: National Transaction Centre                                           |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | PO Box 5244                                                                |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | Dunedin 9054                                                               |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | Phone: (03) 477 0677                                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | Email: <u>transactioncentre@doc.govt.nz</u>                                |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | The Concessionaire's address in New Zealand is:                            |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | NB: Use street address                                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                                                 | ~&~HolderTableStreetAddress^&^                                             |  |  |  |  |  |
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|     |                                   | Phone: ~&~HolderTableContactWorkPhone^&^ Email: [Email Address] |  |  |
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| 15. | Special Conditions<br>(clause 25) | See Schedule 3                                                  |  |  |
| 16. | Processing Fee (clause 4)         | \$[amount] plus GST                                             |  |  |

Note: The clause references are to the Minister of Conservation's Standard Terms and Conditions for Conforming Guiding Permits set out in Schedule 2.

# **SCHEDULE 2**

# STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR CONFORMING GUIDING PERMITS

#### 1. Interpretation

- 1.1 The Concessionaire is responsible for the acts and omissions of its employees, contractors, agents, clients and invitees (excluding other members of the public accessing the Land). The Concessionaire is liable under this Concession for any breach of the terms of the Concession by its employees, contractors, agents, clients and invitees (excluding other members of the public accessing the Land), as if the breach had been committed by the Concessionaire.
- 1.2 Where this Concession requires the Grantor to exercise a discretion or give any approval or provides for any other actions by the Grantor, then the Grantor must act reasonably and within a reasonable time. When a consent is required under this Concession such consent must not be unreasonably withheld.

# 2. What is being authorised?

- 2.1 The Concessionaire is only allowed to use the Land for the Concession Activity.
- 2.2 The Concessionaire must not commence the Concession Activity until the Concessionaire has signed the Concession Document and returned one copy of this Document to the Grantor, as if it were a notice to be given under this Concession.

# 3. How long is the Concession for the Term?

- 3.1 This Concession commences on the date set out in Item 3 of Schedule 1 and ends on the Final Expiry Date specified in Item 5 of Schedule 1.
- 3.2 If there is a right of renewal then the Grantor at the Concessionaire's cost must renew the Term for a further period as set out in Item 4 of Schedule 1 provided the Concessionaire:
  - (a) gives the Grantor at least three month's written notice before the end of the Term, which notice is to be irrevocable, of the Concessionaire's intention to renew this Concession; and
  - (b) at the time notice is given in accordance with this clause the Concessionaire is not in breach of this Concession.
- 3.3 The renewal is to be on the same terms and conditions expressed or implied in this Concession except that the Term of this Concession plus all further renewal terms is to expire on or before the Final Expiry Date.

# 4. What are the fees and when are they to be paid?

4.1 The Concessionaire must pay the Processing Fee (Item 16 of Schedule 1) to the Grantor in the manner directed by the Grantor. Except where the Grantor's written consent has been given, the Concessionaire cannot commence the Concession Activity until the Processing Fee has been paid.

- 4.2 The Concessionaire must pay to the Grantor in the manner directed by the Grantor the Concession Fee (which includes the Annual Activity Fees, the Management Fee, and the Monitoring Fee) plus GST in the instalments and on the Concession Fee Payment Dates specified in Items 6, and 8 of Schedule 1.
- 4.3 If the Concessionaire fails to make payment within 14 days of the Concession Fee Payment Date then the Concessionaire is to pay interest on the unpaid Concession Fee from the Concession Fee Payment Date until the date of payment at the Penalty Interest Rate specified in Item 9 of Schedule 1.

# 5. When can the fees be reviewed?

- 5.1 The Grantor is to review the Concession Fee on the Concession Fee Review Date stated in Item 10 of Schedule 1. The new Concession Fee is to be the market value of the Concession Activity carried out on the Land having regard to the matters set out in section 17Y(2) of the Conservation Act 1987.
- Both parties are to agree on the new fee within 30 working days of the Grantor giving the Concessionaire written notice of the review.
- 5.3 If the parties cannot so agree then each party is to appoint a Registered Valuer who must meet and agree on the new fee. If the Registered Valuers fail to reach agreement the new fee is to be determined by an umpire appointed by the two Registered Valuers. Each party is to bear that party's own costs and half the costs of the umpire (if any).

#### 6. What about Activity return forms?

6.1 The Concessionaire must complete a Client Activity Return form in the format required by the Grantor, and return them to the Grantor on the Activity Return Dates stated in Item 7 of Schedule 1. The Grantor may request further or different activity related information to better monitor and determine any effects of the Concession Activity on the Land.

# 7. When can the Concession be assigned?

- 7.1 The Concessionaire must not transfer, sub licence, assign, mortgage or otherwise dispose of the Concessionaire's interest under this Concession or any part of it (which includes the Concessionaire entering into a contract or any other arrangement whatsoever whereby the Concession Activity would be carried out by a person (called the assignee) other than the Concessionaire) without the prior written consent of the Grantor.
- 7.2 The Grantor may in the Grantor's discretion decline any application for consent under clause 7.1.
- 7.3 Sections 17P, 17S, 17T, 17U, 17W, 17X, 17ZB and 17ZC of the Conservation Act 1987 apply to applications for consent under this clause unless the Grantor, in the Grantor's discretion, decides otherwise.
- 7.4 If the Grantor gives consent under this clause then the Concessionaire remains liable to observe and perform the terms and conditions of this Concession throughout the Term and is to procure from the Assignee a covenant to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Concession.

- 7.5 The Concessionaire must pay the costs reasonably incurred by the Grantor incidental to any application for consent, whether or not such consent is granted.
- 7.6 Any change in the shareholding of the Concessionaire altering the effective control of the Concessionaire is to be deemed to be an assignment and requires the consent of the Grantor.

#### 8. What are the obligations to protect the environment?

- 8.1 The Concessionaire must not cut down or damage any vegetation; or damage any natural feature or historic resource on the Land; or light any fire on the Land without the prior consent of the Grantor.
- 8.2 The Concessionaire must ensure that it adheres to the international "Leave No Trace" Principles at all times (www.leavenotrace.org.nz).
- 8.3 The Concessionaire must not bury:
  - (a) any toilet waste within 50 metres of a water source on the Land; or
  - (b) any animal or fish or any part thereof within 50 metres of any water body, water source or public road or track.

#### 9. When can structures be erected?

- 9.1 For purposes of this Concession, "Structures" means chattels of any description.
- 9.2 The Concessionaire must not place any Structures on the Land without the prior written consent of the Grantor.
- 9.3 The Concessionaire must keep all Structures, buildings, fences, gates, drains and other improvements now or hereafter upon the Land, in good order, condition and repair.

#### 10. What if the Concessionaire wishes to surrender the Concession?

10.1 If the Concessionaire wishes to surrender this Concession during the currency of the Term, then the Grantor may accept that surrender on such conditions as the Grantor considers appropriate.

#### 11. What are the liabilities and who insures?

- The Concessionaire agrees to use the Land at the Concessionaire's own risk and releases to the full extent permitted by law the Grantor and the Grantor's employees and agents from all claims and demands of any kind and from all liability which may arise in respect of any accident, damage or injury occurring to any person or property in or about the Land.
- 11.2 The Concessionaire must indemnify the Grantor against all claims, actions, losses and expenses of any nature which the Grantor may suffer or incur or for which the Grantor may become liable arising from the Concessionaire's performance of the Concession Activity.

- This indemnity is to continue after the expiry or termination of this Concession in respect of any acts or omissions occurring or arising before its expiry or termination.
- 11.4 Without prejudice to or in any way limiting its liability under this clause 11 the Concessionaire at the Concessionaire's expense must take out and keep current policies for insurance and for the amounts not less than the sums stated in Item 13 of Schedule 1 with a substantial and reputable insurer.
- The Grantor may on each Concession Fee Review Date on giving 10 working day's notice to the Concessionaire alter the amounts of insurance required under clause 11.4. On receiving such notice the Concessionaire must within 10 working days take out and keep current policies for insurance and for the amounts not less than the sums specified in that notice.
- 11.6 The Concessionaire must, provide to the Grantor within 5 working days of the Grantor so requesting:
  - (a) details of any insurance policies required to be obtained under this Concession, including any renewal policies if such renewal occurs during the Term; and/or;
  - (b) a copy of the current certificate of such policies.

## 12. What about Health and Safety?

- The Concessionaire must exercise the rights granted by this Concession in a safe and reliable manner and must comply with the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and its regulations and all other provisions or requirements of any competent authority relating to the exercise of this Concession. The Concessionaire must comply with its safety plan (if one is required in Item 11 of Schedule 1), and with any safety directions of the Grantor.
- Before commencing the Concession Activity the Concessionaire must provide the Grantor with a copy of that certification.
- 12.3 If the Concessionaire does not hold certification then before commencing the Concession Activity the Concessionaire must, if required by Item 11 of Schedule 1:
  - (a) prepare a safety plan; and
  - (b) have it audited by a suitably qualified person approved by the Grantor; and forward to the Grantor a certificate from the auditor certifying that the safety plan is suitable for the Concession Activity; and
  - (c) the Concessionaire must obtain from the auditor details as to when the safety plan is to be re-audited. The Concessionaire must comply with any such requirement to re-audit and forward a copy of the re-audit certificate to the Grantor within 5 working days of the certificate being issued.
- 12.4 For any Concession Activity that is subject to the Health and Safety at Work (Adventure Activities) Regulations 2016, proof of registration with WorkSafe New Zealand will satisfy the Grantor's requirement under clause 12.3(b).
- The Grantor may at any time request the Concessionaire to provide the Grantor with a copy of the current safety plan in which case the

Concessionaire must provide the copy within 10 working days of receiving the request.

12.6 Receipt of the safety plan/audit certificate by the Grantor is not in any way to limit the obligations of the Concessionaire under clause 12 and is not to be construed as implying any responsibility or liability on the part of the Grantor.

#### 12.7 The Concessionaire must:

- (a) notify the Grantor of any natural events or activities on the Land or the surrounding area which may endanger the public or the environment;
- (b) take all practicable steps to protect the safety of all persons present on the Land and must, where necessary, erect signposts warning the public of any dangers they may encounter as a result of the Concessionaire's operations;
- (c) take all practicable steps to eliminate any dangers to the public and must clearly and permanently mark any that remain and of which the Concessionaire is aware;
- (d) record and report to the Grantor all accidents involving serious harm within 24 hours of their occurrence and forward an investigation report within 3 days of the accident occurring;
- (e) ensure that all contracts between the Concessionaire and any contractors contain, at a minimum, the same requirements as clause 12;
- (f) be satisfied that facilities or equipment provided by the Grantor to enable the Concession Activity to be carried out meet the safety requirements of the Concessionaire;
- (g) not bring onto the Land or any land administered by the Department any dangerous or hazardous material or equipment which is not required for purposes of the Concession Activity; and if such material or equipment is required as part of the Concession Activity, the Concessionaire must take all practicable steps at all times to ensure that the material or equipment is treated with due and proper care.

#### 13. What are the compliance obligations of the Concessionaire?

# 13.1 The Concessionaire must comply where relevant:

- (a) with the provisions of any conservation management strategy or conservation management plan under the Conservation Act 1987 or Part IIA of the Reserves Act 1977, or any general policy statement made under the Conservation Act 1987, Reserves Act 1977, National Parks Act 1980, or Wildlife Act 1953, or management plan under section 45 of the National Parks Act 1980, whichever is appropriate to the Land, together with any amendment or review of any policy, strategy or plan whether approved before, on, or after the date on which this Concession takes effect; and
- (b) with the Conservation Act 1987, the Reserves Act 1977, the National Parks Act 1980, Wildlife Act 1953 and any other statute, ordinance, regulation, bylaw, or other enactment (collectively the "Legislation") affecting or relating to the Land or affecting or relating to the

- Concession Activity, including any regulations made under the Conservation Act 1987 and Wildlife Act 1953 or bylaws made under the Reserves Act 1977 or the National Parks Act 1980; and
- (c) with all notices and requisitions of any competent authority affecting or relating to the land or affecting or relating to the conduct of the Concession Activity; and
- (d) with all Department signs and notices placed on or affecting the Land.
- 13.2 The Concessionaire must comply with this Concession.
- A breach or contravention by the Concessionaire of a relevant conservation management strategy, conservation management plan, management plan or any statement of general policy referred to in clause 13.1 (a) is deemed to be a breach of this Concession.
- A breach or contravention by the Concessionaire of any Legislation affecting or relating to the Land or affecting or relating to the Concession Activity is deemed to be a breach of this Concession.

## 14. When can the Concession be suspended?

- 14.1 If, in the Grantor's opinion, there is a temporary risk to any natural or historic resource on or in the vicinity of the Land or to public safety whether arising from natural events such as earthquake, land slip, volcanic activity, flood, or arising in any other way, whether or not from any breach of the terms of this Concession on the part of the Concessionaire, then the Grantor may suspend this Concession.
- 14.2 If, in the Grantor's opinion, the activities of the Concessionaire is having or may have an adverse effect on the natural, historic or cultural values or resources of the Land and the Grantor considers that the effect can be avoided, remedied or mitigated to an extent satisfactory to the Grantor, then the Grantor may suspend this Concession until the Concessionaire avoids, remedies or mitigates the adverse effect to the Grantor's satisfaction.
- 14.3 The Grantor may suspend the Concession for such period as the Grantor determines where the Concessionaire has breached any terms of this Concession.
- 14.4 The Grantor may suspend this Concession while the Grantor investigates any of the circumstances contemplated in clauses 14.1 and 14.2 and also while the Grantor investigates any potential breach or possible offence by the Concessionaire, whether or not related to the Concession Activity under the Conservation Act 1987 or any of the Acts mentioned in the First Schedule of that Act.
- 14.5 The word "investigates" in clause 14.4 includes the laying of charges and awaiting the decision of the Court.
- During any period of temporary suspension arising under clauses 14.1 or 14.2 the Concession Fee payable by the Concessionaire is to abate in fair proportion to the loss of use by the Concessionaire of the Land.

14.7 The Grantor is not to be liable to the Concessionaire for any loss sustained by the Concessionaire by reason of the suspension of the Concession under this clause 14 including loss of profits.

#### 15. When can the Concession be terminated?

- 15.1 If:
  - (a) the Concessionaire breaches any of the conditions of this Concession; or
  - (b) the whole or any part of the Land is required for the Grantor's use

the Grantor may terminate this Concession at any time in respect of the whole or any part of the Land. Before so terminating the Grantor must give the Concessionaire either:

- (a) one calendar month's notice in writing; or
- (b) such other time period which in the sole opinion of the Grantor appears reasonable and necessary

of the Grantor's intention so to terminate this Concession. If this Concession is terminated then the Grantor, at the Grantor's sole discretion, may adjust the Concession Fee payable or refund any Concession Fee paid in advance.

# 16. What are the Grantor's Rights to remedy defaults?

16.1 The Grantor may choose to remedy at any time without notice any default by the Concessionaire under this Concession. Where that occurs, the Concessionaire must pay forthwith on demand all reasonable costs incurred by the Grantor in remedying such default.

## 17. What happens on termination or expiry of the Concession?

17.1 Upon the expiry or earlier termination of this Concession, either as in whole or in part, the Concessionaire is not entitled to compensation for any Structure or other improvement erected or carried out by the Concessionaire. The Concessionaire must within such time as the Grantor determines, remove all such Structures or other improvements making good at the Concessionaire's expense any damage caused by such removal and leaving the Land in a clean and tidy condition.

#### 18. When is the Grantor's consent required?

18.1 Where the Grantor's consent or approval is expressly required under this Concession then the Concessionaire must seek that approval or consent for each separate time it is required even though the Grantor may have given approval or consent for a like purpose on a prior occasion. Any such consent or approval may be made on such conditions as the Grantor considers appropriate.

# 19. Are there limitations on public access and closure?

19.1 The Concessionaire acknowledges that the Land is open to the public for access and that the Grantor may close public access during periods of high fire hazard or for reasons of public safety or emergency.

#### 20. How will disputes be resolved?

- 20.1 If a dispute arises between the parties in connection with this Concession the parties must, without prejudice to any other rights or entitlements they may have, attempt to resolve the dispute by agreement using informal dispute resolution techniques such as negotiation, mediation, independent expert appraisal or any other alternative dispute resolution technique. The rules governing any such technique adopted are to be agreed between the parties.
- 20.2 If the dispute cannot be resolved by agreement within 14 days of written notice by one party to the other (or such further period as the parties may agree to in writing) either party may refer the dispute to the Disputes Tribunal, where relevant, or to arbitration which arbitration is to be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration Act 1996.
- 20.3 If the parties do not agree on an arbitrator within 10 working days of a party giving written notice of the requirement to appoint an arbitrator the President of the New Zealand Law Society is to appoint the arbitrator. In either case the arbitrator must not be a person who has participated in an informal dispute resolution procedure in respect of the dispute.
- 20.4 The arbitrator must include in the arbitration award reasons for the determination.
- 20.5 Despite the existence of a dispute, each party must continue to perform its obligations under this Concession.

## 21. How are notices sent and when are they received?

- Any notice to be given under this Concession is to be in writing and made by personal delivery, fax, by pre paid post or email to the receiving party at the address, fax number or email address specified in Item 14 of Schedule 1. Any such notice is to be deemed to have been received:
  - (a) in the case of personal delivery, on the date of delivery;
  - (b) in the case of fax, on the date of dispatch;
  - (c) in the case of post, on the 3rd working day after posting;
  - (d) in the case of email, on the date receipt of the email is acknowledged by the addressee by return email or otherwise in writing.
- 21.2 If either party's details stated out in Item 14 of Schedule 1 change then the party whose details change must within 5 working days of such change provide the other party with the changed details.

## 22. What about the payment of costs?

- 22.1 The Concessionaire must pay the Grantor's legal costs and expenses of and incidental to preparing and signing this Concession or any extension or variation of it.
- 22.2 The Concessionaire must pay in full immediately and on demand all costs and fees (including solicitor's costs and fees of debt collecting agencies engaged by the Grantor) arising out of and associated with steps taken by the Grantor to enforce or attempt to enforce the Grantor's rights and powers

under this Concession. This includes the right to recover outstanding money owed to the Grantor.

### 23. What about Identification cards?

- 23.1 Before commencing the Concession Activity the Concessionaire must, if required by the Grantor in Item 12 of Schedule 1, obtain Concessionaire Identification cards from the Grantor. The Grantor is to supply such cards to the Concessionaire on a cost recovery basis.
- 23.2 The Concessionaire and any person acting under the authority of the Concession must carry and display a Concession Identification card when carrying out the Concession Activity.
- 23.3 The Concessionaire must obtain sufficient cards to ensure all people acting under the authority of the Concession can carry and display such cards when undertaking the Concession Activity.

#### 24. When can the conditions of the Concession be varied?

- 24.1 The Grantor may on each Concession Fee Review Date, after first consulting with the Concessionaire, vary any condition of this Concession to make the condition more effective in addressing adverse effects resulting from the Concession Activity.
- Nothing in clause 24.1 otherwise affects the Grantor's rights to vary the Concession under section 17ZC of the Conservation Act 1987.

# 25. Are there any Special Conditions?

Special conditions are specified in Schedule 3. If there is a conflict between this Schedule 2 and the Special Conditions in Schedule 3, the Special Conditions shall prevail.

#### 26. The Law

26.1 This Concession is to be governed by, and interpreted in accordance with the laws of New Zealand.

# **SCHEDULE 3**

#### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

# Concession Activity and Locations – maximum numbers of people

1. Activities and locations approved are as follows subject to stated maximum party size and frequencies. *Copy and paste list from online application (and delete this table), or re-type from paper application form into this table – information must exactly match the published Conforming Activity Schedule.* 

| Name of<br>District<br>Office | Location<br>(e.g. National<br>Park)<br>(called the Land) | Name of<br>Track/facility | Activity &<br>Duration | Max. Party Size (incl. guides) | Max Frequency - total groups/ y; m; wk; or day | Special Conditions (as required by Conforming Activity Schedule) | Number of<br>Trips per<br>year |
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#### **Use of toilets**

2. Toilets must be used where provided if required.

#### **Hut Use**

3. Where the Concessionaire makes use of Department administered huts, the Concessionaire must enter relevant details of the activity into any hut book provided by the Grantor.

#### Private land

4. This Concession does not confer any right of access over any private land or public conservation land leased by the Grantor. Any arrangements necessary for access over private land or leased land are the responsibility of the Concessionaire. In granting this Concession the Grantor does not warrant that such access can be obtained.

#### **DOC staff**

5. The Grantor may send any officer of the Department on any of the activities authorised during the term of this Concession for the purpose of assessing the impact on conservation values, the standard of service offered and compliance with the terms and conditions of the Concession, at no expense to the Grantor.

#### Use of tracks

6. The Concessionaire must ensure that, where provided, clients remain on formed tracks or well-used routes designed to protect natural and historic features of the Land, do not enter caves and do not exceed any loading limitations placed on facilities and structures.

# **Camp sites**

7. The Concessionaire must ensure that no permanent camp sites are created nor stores or cache of any equipment is left on the Land or in any hut without the specific authority of the Department's appropriate District Office Operations Manager.

#### Wāhi Tapu

8. The Concessionaire must recognise the sensitivity of wāhi tapu and urupa and seek guidance of iwi who claim mana whenua over any parts of the Land prior to providing interpretation on matters of iwi cultural significance and recognise the sensitivity of wāhi tapu and urupa.

# In respect to Ngāi Tahu

(Delete if not in Ngāi Tahu takiwa, insert any other relevant standard clause regarding iwi as required.)

- 9. The Concessionaire is requested to consult the relevant Papatipu Runanga (www.ngaitahu.co.nz) if they wish to use Ngāi Tahu cultural information. If the Concessionaire wishes to use the Tōpuni or statutory acknowledgement information contained in schedules 14-108 of the Ngāi Tahu Claims Settlement Act 1998, or any Department produced interpretative material in respect to Ngāi Tahu cultural information, they are requested to notify the relevant Papatipu Rūnanga, as a matter of courtesy.
- 10. The Concessionaire must, as far as practicable, attend any workshops held by the Department for the purpose of providing information to concessionaires, which is to include the Ngāi Tahu values associated with Tōpuni areas.
- 11. The Concessionaire must ensure any persons employed by the Concessionaire are requested to recognise and provide for Ngāi Tahu values in the conduct of their activities.

## **Interpretation materials**

- 12. The Concessionaire must consult with and seek the guidance of iwi claiming mana whenua over any parts of the Land prior to providing interpretation on matters of cultural significance to such iwi.
- 13. The Concessionaire must provide detailed information of any historical, cultural or natural science interpretation provided by the Concessionaire to its clients in the course of the Concession Activity, to the Grantor within thirty days of the date of any such written request by the Grantor.
- 14. If the Grantor considers the interpretative material provided by the Concessionaire above unsatisfactory, the Concessionaire must prepare an interpretation plan for approval by the Grantor within 60 days of advice from the Grantor that this is required.

#### **Recordings of bird songs**

15. The Concessionaire must not and must ensure that its clients do not play recordings of bird songs on the Land.

#### Vehicle use

16. The Concessionaire must ensure that none of its vehicles or vehicles of its clients are taken off formed roads.

# Vehicle parking

17. The Concessionaire must ensure that its vehicles and the vehicles of its clients are only parked only in designated parking areas.

#### **Animals**

18. The Concessionaire must not take, and must ensure that its clients do not take, any animals, including dogs or any domestic pets, onto the Land.

#### Weeds

19. The Concessionaire must take all precautions to ensure weeds are not introduced to the Land; this includes ensuring that all tyres, footwear, gaiters and packs used by the Concessionaire, its staff and clients are clean before entering the Land.

#### **Didymo / Freshwater Pests**

20. The Concessionaire must comply and ensure its clients comply with the Ministry for Primary Industry (MPI)'s "Check, Clean, Dry" cleaning methods to prevent the spread of didymo (*Didymosphenia geminata*) and other freshwater pests when moving between waterways. "Check, Clean, Dry" cleaning methods can be found at <a href="https://www.mpi.govt.nz/outdoor-activities/boating-and-watersports-tips-to-prevent-spread-of-pests/check-clean-dry/">https://www.mpi.govt.nz/outdoor-activities/boating-and-watersports-tips-to-prevent-spread-of-pests/check-clean-dry/</a>. The Concessionaire must regularly check this website and update their precautions accordingly.

#### Kauri Dieback

If the concession activity is in the district or region of any of the following:

- Northland Regional Council
- Waikato Regional Council
- Auckland Council
- Bay of Plenty Regional Council

You must apply DOC's Kauri Dieback conditions to this concession; copy and paste from <u>DOC-6511068</u> into this concession contract.

21. [Insert Kauri Dieback conditions if required – if not, delete this section]

#### **Myrtle Rust**

- The Concessionaire must know the plants that are affected by myrtle rust and what the rust symptoms looks like. This serious fungal disease only affects plants in the myrtle (myrtaceae) family which includes pōhutukawa, mānuka, kānuka and ramarama. See <a href="https://myrtlerust.org.nz/">https://myrtlerust.org.nz/</a>.
- 23. If the Concessionaire encounters suspected symptoms of myrtle rust, the Concessionaire must not touch it and must take the following steps:

- (a) Call the MPI Exotic Pest and Disease Hotline immediately on o800 80 99 66;
- (b) Take clear photos, including the whole plant, the whole affected leaf, and a close-up of the spores/affected areas of the plant;
- (c) Don't touch or try to collect samples as this may increase the spread of the disease;
- (d) If accidental contact with the affected plant or rust occurs, bag clothing and wash clothes, bags and shoes as soon as possible.

# **Review of Concession Activity**

In this clause:

"Client Activity Return Form" means the Form required in clause 6.1 of Schedule 2.

"High Season" means the consecutive three month period when the highest use of the Conservation Activity occurs.

"Permitted Limit" means the frequency of trips and/or the numbers of clients the Concessionaire is permitted in carrying out the Concession Activity specified in clause 1 of Schedule 3. It also includes the new limit set below.

- 24. On each Concession Fee Review Date the Grantor may review the Concessionaire's Client Activity Return Forms to determine the actual use of the Concession Activity, including the actual numbers of the Concessionaire's clients undertaking the Concession Activity in the twelve month period immediately preceding the Concession Fee Review Date.
- 25. If the Grantor's review of the Client Activity Return Forms shows that:
  - (a) the Concessionaire is not conducting the Concession Activity in all or any of the locations specified in clause 1 of Schedule 3; and/or
  - (b) on average the Concessionaire has utilised less than 70% of the Permitted Limit over the High Season for that twelve month period,

the Grantor may:

- (c) exclude any such location from the Concession Activity; and/ or
- (d) reduce or eliminate significant under-utilisation over the life of the Concession.
- 26. Such a review must:
  - (a) examine the Concessionaire's Activity Returns for the preceding three years, or for such other period as the Grantor considers appropriate, to ascertain trends and in relation to the Permitted Limit component identify

the amount of the Permitted Limit that has not been utilised over the High Season/s; and

- (b) offer the Concessionaire an opportunity to present any business plans demonstrating any expected use of such location or an explanation as to why the Concession Activity has not been conducted at the location; and/or
- (c) invite the Concessionaire to offer an explanation as to why the level of use has, on average, been below 70% of the Permitted Limit over the High Season/s; and to demonstrate that it has the capacity and the intention to increase utilisation. Capacity may be demonstrated by the existence of the equipment and infrastructure necessary to utilise the Permitted Limit. Intention may be demonstrated through business plans showing anticipated levels of operation up to the Permitted Limit.
- 27. Following this review the Grantor is to:
  - (a) determine if any location is to be excluded from the Concession; and/or
  - (b) determine if a reduction of the Permitted Limit is appropriate and the amount of that reduction; and
  - (c) advise the Concessionaire of the date the exclusion and/or the reduced Permitted Limit becomes effective.
- 28. If any location is so excluded and or the Permitted Limit is so reduced the Grantor is not to be liable for any subsequent loss sustained by the Concessionaire (including loss of profits) even if that loss is wholly or partly a result of such exclusion and/or such a reduction in the Permitted Limit.
- 29. The Grantor may exercise the Grantor's right to exclude a location and/or to reduce the Permitted Limit notwithstanding any prior waiver or failure to undertake action by the Grantor or any indulgence granted by the Grantor for any matter or default.

#### **Climate Change considerations**

30. The Concessionaire acknowledges that the Grantor and the Department of Conservation are reviewing their obligations under the Climate Change Response Act 2002 and developing responses to address greenhouse gas emissions from activities conducted on public conservation land and waters. The reviews are likely to result in policies which seek to measure, manage and reduce greenhouse gas emissions from Concession Activities. The Grantor wishes to

signal to the Concessionaire that new concession conditions related to both climate change mitigation and adaptation may be imposed during the life of this Concession to address greenhouse gas emissions associated with the Concession Activity.

- 31. If the Grantor requests data relating to greenhouse gas emissions associated with the Concession Activity, the Concessionaire must provide any relevant data that is reasonably available to it within 6 months of the Grantor's request.
- 32. The Grantor may review and amend the conditions of this Concession to reflect climate change-related legislation and government or Departmental policy and those conditions ("Revised Conditions") may, amongst other things, require the Concessionaire to measure, manage and reduce the greenhouse gas emissions of the Concession Activity.
- 33. Before amending the conditions of this Concession in accordance with clause 32 of Schedule 3, the Grantor will provide the Concessionaire the draft Revised Conditions. The Concessionaire may provide written comments on those draft Revised Conditions within 60 days. The Grantor must take into account any comments received from the Concessionaire on the Revised Conditions before finalising the Revised Conditions.
- 34. The Revised Conditions will apply to the Concession Activity 4 months after the Grantor has notified the Concessionaire of the Revised Conditions in accordance with clause 33 of Schedule 3 or any later date specified in the Revised Conditions.

#### **Monitoring**

- 35. If the Grantor determines that the conditions of this Document or the effects of the Concession Activity should be monitored, the Concessionaire shall meet: either;
  - (a) the full costs of any monitoring programme that is implemented; or
  - (b) if the Grantor determines that the costs should be apportioned among several Concessionaires who use the same locations, part of the costs of the monitoring programme.

These costs will include the Department's standard charge-out rates for staff time and the mileage rates for vehicle use associated with the monitoring programme.

If you add further special conditions, ensure they are included in your 'Decision Support Document' to Decision Maker' and that they do not conflict with other special conditions or other matters in Schedule 2.