

Stewardship land in Aotearoa New Zealand discussion document: Options to streamline processes for reclassification and disposal

DOC is undertaking a review of the legislation relating to stewardship land, as part of the broader stewardship land reclassification project. The review seeks to streamline the processes for reclassifying and disposing of stewardship land to resolve issues that have led to delays in the past.

We are seeking feedback on six proposals which aim to make the process more efficient and effective. Let us know your feedback on the Stewardship Land in Aotearoa New Zealand discussion document, using the prompt questions listed below.

These questions correspond with the questions included in the discussion document. You don't need to fill out every question if you don't wish to.

Once you have completed the form, email it to: stewardshippolicy@doc.govt.nz

You can also post a hard copy to:

Stewardship Land Consultation
Department of Conservation
P. O. Box 10420 Wellington 6143

Submitter details

Name:

Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation or group of people?

Email:

Discussion document proposals

A. Introduction and objectives

- 1. Do you agree with the objectives listed in the discussion document? Do you think there are any other objectives that should be included in this review?**

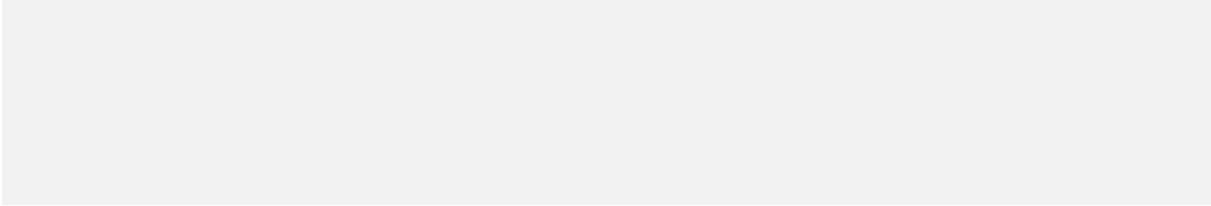
- 2. Do you agree with the description of the problem in the discussion document? If no, please provide reasons to support your answer?**

- 3. Do you think there are any additional factors that have contributed to stewardship land reclassification not being progressed on a large scale? If so, please describe them.**

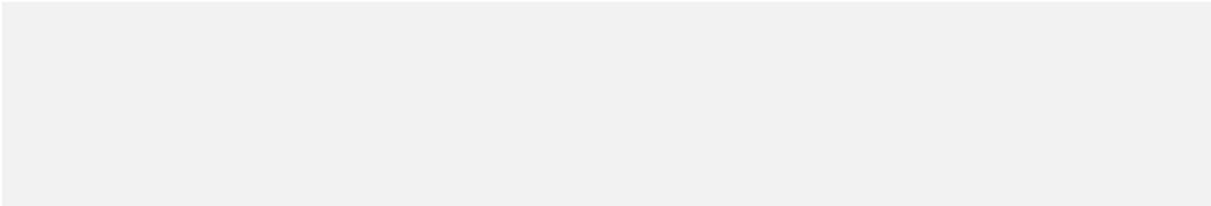
- 4. Do you think there any other issues or impacts caused by the failure to reclassify stewardship land on a large scale that have not been described here? If so, what are they and who/what do they affect?**

B. Improving consistency of public notification and submission processes

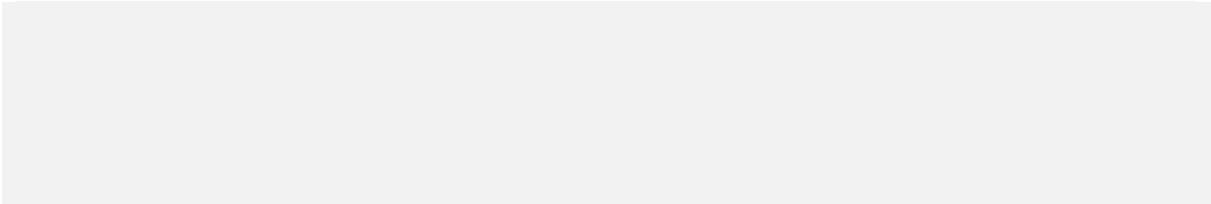
5. The discussion document sets out three possible options – please indicate your preferred option. You may provide further analysis or comments to support your choice.



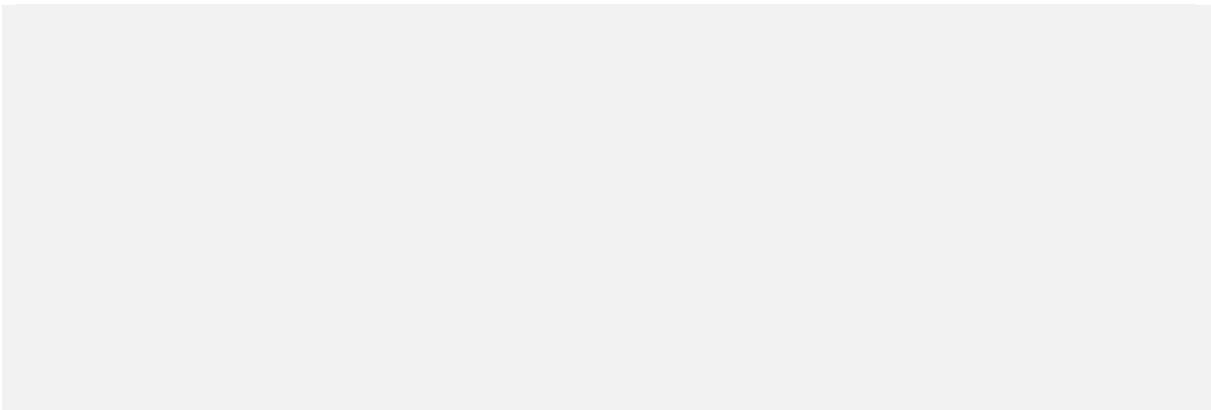
6. Do you think 20 working days (one month) is adequate to prepare a written submission? If not, what time period would be adequate?



7. What role or function do you consider hearings play?



8. Are there any further options you think DOC should consider that would meet the objectives set out in the discussion document?



C. Enabling the national panels to carry out the public notification and submission process

- 9. The discussion document sets out two possible options – please indicate your preferred option. You may provide further analysis or comments to support your choice.**

- 10. If the national panels carried out the public notification and submissions process, what impact do you think this would have on the reclassification or disposal process?**

- 11. Are there any further options you think DOC should consider that would meet the objectives set out in the discussion document?**

D. Clarifying responsibilities for making recommendations to reclassify stewardship land to national park

- 12. What particular expertise/experience do you consider the national panels could bring to the process?**

13. If the national panels were responsible for making recommendations to reclassify land to national parks, do you consider this would create any risks?

14. Are there any further options you think DOC should consider that would meet the objectives set out above?

E. Removing the statutory step to declare all stewardship land to be held for conservation purposes before it can be reclassified or disposed of

15. The discussion document sets out two possible options – please indicate your preferred option. You may provide further analysis or comments to support your choice.

16. Are there any alternative options that have not been discussed here? Please provide analysis or comments to explain your answer.

17. Do you think that there are any other risks or impacts associated with declaring all section 62 stewardship land to be held for a conservation purpose via a legislative change that have not been identified here?

F. Enabling the Minister of Conservation to direct the proceeds of sale from stewardship land to DOC

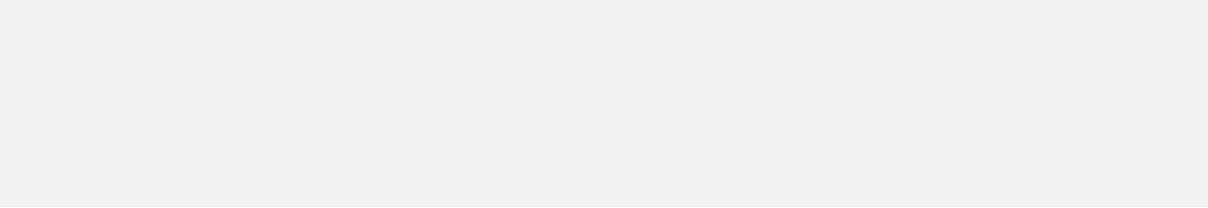
18. The discussion document sets out two possible options – please indicate your preferred option. You may provide further analysis or comments to support your choice.

19. What are the risks or impacts associated with allowing the Minister of Conservation to direct the proceeds of sale of stewardship land to DOC that have not been identified here?

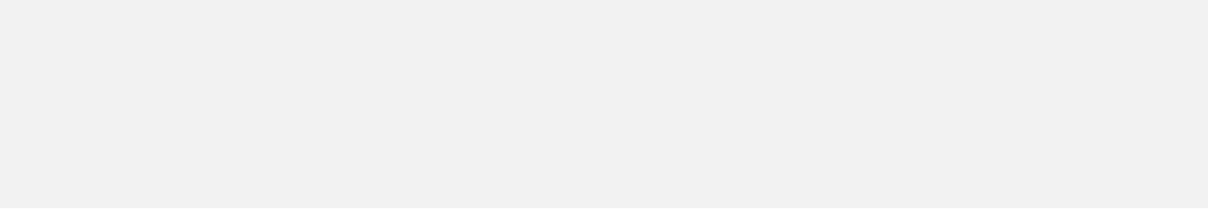
20. Are there any further options you think DOC should consider that would meet the objectives set out in the discussion document?

G. Clarifying the status of concessions on reclassified stewardship land

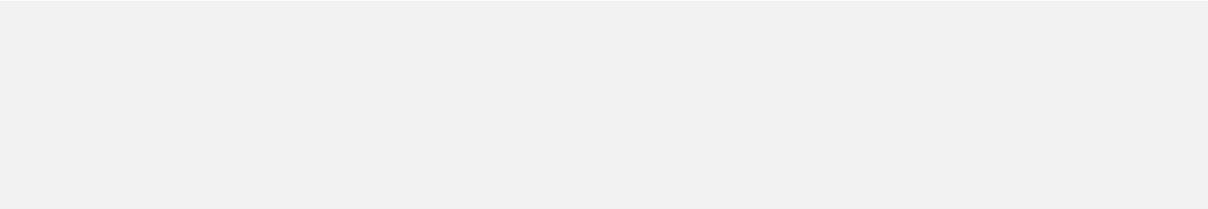
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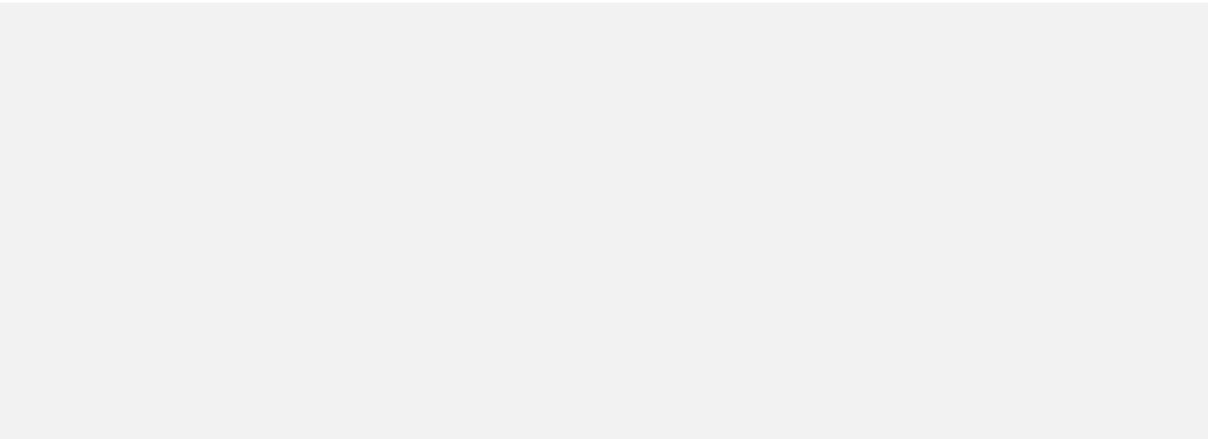
22. If a concession is inconsistent with a new land classification or on land that has been recommended for disposal, should it be allowed to continue? Please explain your answer.



23. Are there any other risks or impacts associated with allowing inconsistent concessions to continue?

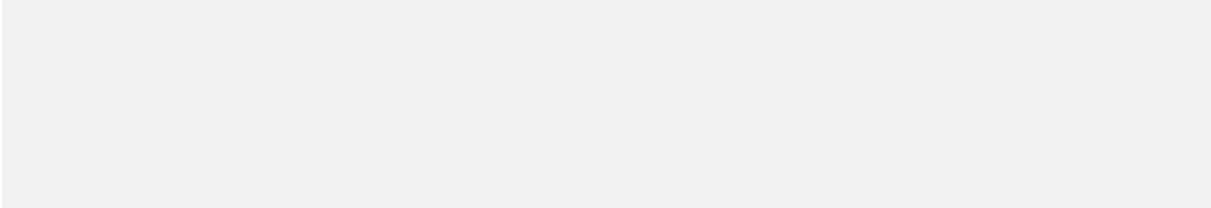


24. Are there any further options you think DOC should consider that would meet the objectives set out in the discussion document?



H. Non-regulatory options to improve stewardship land reclassification

25. Are there any other non-regulatory options to help streamline the process for reclassifying stewardship land that we should consider? Please explain your answer.



I. Implementing changes

26. Are there any additional evaluation or monitoring measures that you think should be implemented? Please explain your answer.

