

Michael Dine

From: Maike Fichtner s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 4:54 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Submission on Jet Junkies Limited permit application

Kia ora, tatou katoa,

Under no circumstances should any Jetski company like Jet Junkies be allowed anywhere near Hectors or Maui Dolphins. If in the course of their movements around the harbour they arbitrarily encounter them, they should follow the laws and protocols governing these encounters. However, they should not be allowed to deliberately seek out pods for thinly disguised commercial gain. I do not trust or believe their advertised intent. These desperately endangered dolphins need to be left alone, not pursued by yet more watercraft.

The noise they produce is very loud and can be heard from our house about 1.5 km offshore. The noise under water will be even louder. There is already a lot of daily traffic in the Lyttelton Harbour with the Black cat ferry, commercial fishing vessels as well as large container ships.

To protect our taonga endemic dolphins, no more commercial vessels to be given permits to operate. I strongly oppose the application.

Ngā mihi nui

Maike Fichtner

Michael Dine

From: s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 4:50 pm
To: Michael Dine

Kia Ora I have sent you an email about the Jet Junkies application and I want to make sure it is received please. I am very against this plan - our marine mammals are so vulnerable especially Hector's dolphins we shouldn't be considering anything that would jeopardize them as this would. I am also extremely disturbed but Jet Junkies announcing a percentage of their takings to DOC - as DOC is dealing with the application that looks like bribery to me!

Sent from Workspace ONE Boxer

Michael Dine

From: Vladimir Stoilov s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 4:37 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

To whom it may concern,

I was shocked to hear that local jet ski company "Jet Junkies" has applied for a marine mammal permit, which would allow them to operate jet ski tours around the Lyttelton Harbour. As you know, this area is home to many marine mammals, including the vulnerable Hector's dolphin. Noise pollution, habitat disturbance and risk of collisions are of great concern. Please consider our precious wildlife and decline this application.

Kind regards,
Vladimir Stoilov

s 9(2)(a)

Michael Dine

From: Ziggy s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 4:17 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

To whom it may concern

I was shocked to hear that local jet ski company Jet Junkies has applied for a marine mammal permit, which would allow them to operate jet ski tours around the Lyttelton harbour. As you know, this area is home to many marine mammals, including the vulnerable Hector's dolphin. Noise pollution, habitat disturbance and risk of collisions are of great concern. Please consider our precious wildlife and decline this application. How many more defenceless animals have to put up with human insatiable hunger for destruction of their habitats?

Regards

Z. Schmidt

Michael Dine

From: Jenny Fry s 9(2)(a) privacy >
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 4:04 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

This is horrible, imagine been under water where noise is constantly small over the place, this is just awful. Ban the jet skis and boats.

Sent from my iPhone

Michael Dine

From: Gary Davies **s 9(2)(a) privacy**
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 3:23 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Dear DOC,

I'm deeply concerned that our local marine animals will be disturbed and even harmed if a marine mammal permit is granted to Jet Junkies.

Who will police these jet ski tours to ensure they aren't using excessive speed or getting too close to wildlife? Dolphins, seals and whales can all surface without warning and could be injured by the jet skis. Not to mention the amplified sound under the water, which could disrupt communication and cause stress and fear to wildlife. Please consider the animals first when making your decision.

Kind regards,

Gary Davies

**s 9(2)(a)
privacy**

Michael Dine

From: Helen Berry s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 2:53 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

To whom it may concern,

I write to express my opposition to the granting of this permit. Animals do not belong to us, they are not ours to exploit for business and/or entertainment opportunities. Jet Junkies will impact their habitat in a detrimental way, for no gain to these mammals. The only gain is to Jet Junkies and a few tourists who have the money to spend on such endeavours. It will benefit few, at the cost to the marine life.

Sure its nice that they would give you a percentage of their takings, but that is really a bribe. I thank you for your time and hope you decline issuing a permit in the interest of conservation and protection of our wildlife, for our nation.

Many thanks,
Helen Berry
Picton

Michael Dine

From: Catherine Hair s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 2:48 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

I am writing to express my deep concerns over Jet Junkies' application for a marine mammal permit. Sound is amplified underwater and the noise alone could drive marine mammals out of the area, in search of safer, quieter habitat. Collisions are also a concern, as marine mammals can surface quickly. Surely, viewing these animals can be done from a quieter, slower vessel than a jet ski? I urge you to decline Jet Junkies' marine mammal permit.

Michael Dine

From: Bev Pownall s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 2:41 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

I was shocked to hear that local jet ski company Jet Junkies has applied for a marine mammal permit, which would allow them to operate jet ski tours around the Lyttelton harbour. I am surprised and disappointed that you would even consider this. As you know, this area is home to many marine mammals, including the vulnerable Hector's dolphin. Noise pollution, habitat disturbance and risk of collisions are of great concern. Please consider our precious wildlife and decline this application.

Bev Pownall
s 9(2)(a)

Michael Dine

From: adrian ryder s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 2:27 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

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Adrian Ryder
Christchurch

Sent from my iPhone

Michael Dine

From: Trevor Courtney s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 1:49 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

To Whom it may concern

I am writing to express my deep concerns over Jet Junkies' application for a marine mammal permit. Sound is amplified underwater and the noise alone could drive marine mammals out of the area, in search of safer, quieter habitat. Collisions are also a concern, as marine mammals can surface quickly. Surely, viewing these animals can be done from a quieter, slower vessel than a jet ski? I urge you to decline Jet Junkies' marine mammal permit.

Kind Regards

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

Michael Dine

From: [REDACTED] s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 1:47 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

To Whom it may concern

I am writing to express my deep concerns over Jet Junkies' application for a marine mammal permit. Sound is amplified underwater and the noise alone could drive marine mammals out of the area, in search of safer, quieter habitat. Collisions are also a concern, as marine mammals can surface quickly. Surely, viewing these animals can be done from a quieter, slower vessel than a jet ski? I urge you to decline Jet Junkies' marine mammal permit.

Kind Regards

[REDACTED] s 9(2)(a) privacy

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

Michael Dine

From: Michelle Perkins s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 1:40 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Kia Ora,

I am deeply concerned that our local marine animals will be disturbed and even harmed if a marine mammal permit is granted to Jet Junkies.

Who will police these jet ski tours to ensure they aren't using excessive speed or getting too close to wildlife? Dolphins, seals and whales can all surface without warning and could be injured by the jet skis. Not to mention the amplified sound under the water, which could disrupt communication and cause stress and fear to wildlife. There are so many stresses already for our marine mammals, please consider the animals first when making your decision so we are not adding to the difficulties they already experience.

Sincerely,

Michelle Perkins

~Lokah samastah sukhino bhavantu~

May all beings everywhere be happy and free from suffering and may the thoughts, words and actions of my own life contribute to happiness and freedom for all.

Michael Dine

From: Casey Jade s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 12:40 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Hi there,

I'm deeply concerned that our local marine animals will be disturbed and even harmed if a marine mammal permit is granted to Jet Junkies.
Who will police these jet ski tours to ensure they aren't using excessive speed or getting too close to wildlife? Dolphins, seals and whales can all surface without warning and could be injured by the jet skis. Not to mention the amplified sound under the water, which could disrupt communication and cause stress and fear to wildlife. Please consider the animals first when making your decision.

Casey

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Michael Dine

From: s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 12:39 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Submission on Jet Junkies Limited permit application

Attention: Michael Dine, Permissions Advisor

While containing some benefits from educating customers, commercial marine mammal tours can also add to existing pressures, especially with cumulative effects on socialisation, feeding, breeding and resting. More jet skis may mean more risk of boat strike. The dolphins are also sensitive to noise. There should be active management to reduce the pressures on Hector's in Lyttelton harbour, rather than to increase it.

This is a foolish application and should be declined.

Cheers

Shaun

s 9(2)(a)
privacy

Michael Dine

From: chris brady s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 12:19 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Kia ora DoC

I am writing to ask you to decline the application from Jet Junkies to operate jet ski tours in Lyttleton harbour to view aquatic mammals.

Apart from the negative environmental impact, I feel such actions will cause unnecessary suffering and harm to the animals involved. We need to treat our marine creatures better and not exploit them for monetary gain.

Thank you.

Chris Brady

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Michael Dine

From: Martin s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 11:59 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Now 79 and have lived in Nelson, Bluff, Lumsden, Hastings, Christchurch, Wellington and Hamilton. Had a few months as a whaling inspector in South Georgia, dived in Foveaux Strait on oyster research. Dived around Kaikoura and Pelorus Sound. Always had an interest in whales and dolphins. Would be great to see more people seeing the dolphins as they would support more money being spent on research, etc., to stop their extinction. Falling biodiversity as well as climate change may cause our own extinction. Would be worth a major spend by the jet ski company and DOC to see if some safe way to operate OK for the dolphins. We must get Kiwis to help look after our economic maritime zone. We are not just a land of cows and pine trees. We don't want out right rejection by protesters but careful research.

Martin Toop, s 9(2)(a) privacy

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

Michael Dine

From: Elizabeth MacLennan s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 11:44 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

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Who will police these jet ski tours to ensure they aren't using excessive speed or getting too close to wildlife? Dolphins, seals and whales can all surface without warning and could be injured by the jet skis. Not to mention the amplified sound under the water, which could disrupt communication and cause stress and fear to wildlife. Please consider the animals first when making your decision.

Elizabeth MacLennan

Michael Dine

From: Natalie Moreno s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 11:33 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Tēnā koe

I'm deeply concerned that our local marine animals will be disturbed and even harmed if a marine mammal permit is granted to Jet Junkies. As you know, this area is home to many marine mammals, including the vulnerable Hector's dolphin.

Who will police these jet ski tours to ensure they aren't using excessive speed or getting too close to wildlife? Dolphins, seals and whales can all surface without warning and could be injured by the jet skis. Not to mention the amplified sound under the water, which could disrupt communication and cause stress and fear to wildlife. Please consider the animals first when making your decision.

Ngā mihi
Natalie Moreno

Michael Dine

From: Tracy Phua [REDACTED] s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 11:32 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my deep concerns over Jet Junkies' application for a marine mammal permit. Sound is amplified underwater and the noise alone could drive marine mammals out of the area, in search of safer, quieter habitat. Collisions are also a concern, as marine mammals can surface quickly. Surely, viewing these animals can be done from a quieter, slower vessel than a jet ski? I urge you to decline Jet Junkies' marine mammal permit.

Warm regards,

Tracy Phua (she/her)

[REDACTED] s 9(2)(a)
[REDACTED] privacy
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Michael Dine

From: Peter Galbraith s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 10:57 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Kia ora,

I'm deeply concerned about the above application.

I'm concerned that these endangered animals will be subjected to noise pollution, and possibly even collisions.

Please decline their application.

Nga mihi,
Peter Galbraith

Michael Dine

From: caroline.etherington s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 10:44 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet ski application

Kia ora DOC staff

I was shocked to hear that local jet ski company Jet Junkies has applied for a marine mammal permit, which would allow them to operate jet ski tours around the Lyttelton harbour. As you know, this area is home to many marine mammals, including the vulnerable Hector's dolphin. Noise pollution, habitat disturbance and risk of collisions are of great concern. Please consider our precious wildlife and decline this application. Jet skis have no place in this harbour; there are already other, more sustainable options for touring round this area.

Kind regards
Caroline Etherington

Michael Dine

From: Irene Gardiner s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 9:48 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

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Who will police these jet ski tours to ensure they aren't using excessive speed or getting too close to wildlife? Dolphins, seals and whales can all surface without warning and could be injured by the jet skis. Not to mention the amplified sound under the water, which could disrupt communication and cause stress and fear to wildlife. Please consider the animals first when making your decision.

Michael Dine

From: Jan Harmsworth s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 9:43 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

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Thank you
Jan Harmsworth

Michael Dine

From: Zelda Chapman s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 9:33 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application - please decline

Hi please do not approve this permit as it is not in the best interest of the marine life.

I object strongly to noise and disruption and possible physical damage and harm this type of entertainment does to marine life and NZ's unique mammals and fish.

There are many other places to have fun on jet skis - a marine reserve is not the place.

Thank you
Kind regards
Zelda Chapman

Michael Dine

From: Jinki Cambronero s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 9:26 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Hello,

I am writing to express my deep concerns over Jet Junkies' application for a marine mammal permit. Sound is amplified underwater and the noise alone could drive marine mammals out of the area, in search of safer, quieter habitat. Collisions are also a concern, as marine mammals can surface quickly. Surely, viewing these animals can be done from a quieter, slower vessel than a jet ski? I urge you to decline Jet Junkies' marine mammal permit.

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Kindest,

Jinki Cambronero

Michael Dine

From: Judy Simms **s 9(2)(a) privacy**
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 9:27 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jetski Tours

I was shocked to hear that local jet ski company Jet Junkies has applied for a marine mammal permit, which would allow them to operate jet ski tours around the Lyttelton harbour. As you know, this area is home to many marine mammals, including the vulnerable Hector's dolphin. Noise pollution, habitat disturbance and risk of collisions are of great concern. Please consider our precious wildlife and decline this application.

Sincerely,
Judy Simms

Michael Dine

From: Katherine Sarah [REDACTED] s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 9:19 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

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Yours sincerely,
Katherine

Michael Dine

From: Bronwen Summers s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 9:12 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Kia ora

I live in Christchurch and am dismayed to think that those wanting jet skiing might be allowed to carry out this activity in Lyttelton harbour. This is what I see as selfish recreation. The Hector's dolphin as most people know is vulnerable and I am sure that all the other animal species will also come under some stress should this go ahead.

When will humans learn that the ocean does not belong to us but the creatures that live in it.

I implore you to turn down the application for Jet Junkies to carry out this latest invasion.

Nga mihi
Bronwen Summers

s 9(2)(a)
privacy

Michael Dine

From: s 9(2)(a) s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 9:07 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Kia ora,

I live in Auckland and a couple of weeks ago I walked in Duder Park, which is alongside the South Pacific Ocean. It was very peaceful until a motor boat arrived, pulling a water skier. I was annoyed at the interruption of the quietness of my walk. This noise is so much worse under water though, and I felt concerned for the animals and fish living in the sea.

I was shocked to read about Jet Junkies' application for a mammal permit, which would allow them to operate jet ski tours around the Lyttelton harbour. As you know, this area is home to many marine mammals, including the vulnerable Hector's dolphin. Noise pollution, habitat disturbance and risk of collisions are of great concern. Please consider our precious wildlife and decline this application.

Yours sincerely,

s 9(2)(a)

Sent with [ProtonMail](#) Secure Email.

Michael Dine

From: Kelli Lamare s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:53 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

I'm writing to strongly discourage you to not permit Jet junkies to be able to operate their jet ski's to observe marine creatures close up. The marine mammals deserve to be left undisturbed. We humans interfere enough already in the sea. Jet skis are noisy, polluting and unnecessary.

Please think of the welfare of the animals above a company making profit.

Thankyou

Kelli Lamare

Sent from my iPhone

Michael Dine

From: Kirsty Edwards s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:53 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

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Michael Dine

From: Vanya Kovach **s 9(2)(a) privacy**
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:49 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

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Please protect our wildlife, isn't that what DOC is for?

Vanya Kovach
s 9(2)(a) privacy

Michael Dine

From: Luke Christiansen s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:42 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Hi

It's incredibly concerning that Jet Junkies has applied for a permit that would allow them to operate jet ski tours around Lyttelton Harbour. This area is home to a number of marine animals including fur seals, whales, and hectors dolphins (which DOC's own website notes are nationally vulnerable). It is completely unrealistic to expect there will be no collisions between jet skis and animals, even with experienced riders let alone inexperienced tourists. Noise pollution is also a major concern as it will greatly disturb those animals in the harbour.

Abusing animals and the environment for tourism and profits is the stuff of decades ago and has no place in today's society. I strongly urge you to decline this application given the high risk and minuscule benefits, expect to the owners of Jet Junkies who are the only ones who really benefit (i.e. profit) from the permit being granted.

Thanks
Luke Christiansen

Michael Dine

From: Hind s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:41 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Hello,

I was very upset to hear you are considering approving an application to allow jetskis to operate on a commercial level in an area where dolphins live. You of all people should know how fragile our marine animals have become. On one hand a law is made for boats to stop a few hundred nearest away in the presence of dolphins (great move) and then this? Please do not grant approval for this folly, we will pay dearly for it in the near future.

Regards,
Hind Samy.

Michael Dine

From: Phillip Bates s 9(2)(a) privacy >
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:26 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Hi. I have just been informed regarding the jet ski proposal for lyttleton harbour. If this goes ahead does it not go against everything that your foundation was set up to accomplish. It always comes down to greed. There is no such thing as eco tourism. EXTREMELY DISSAPOINTED. Julie Bates

Michael Dine

From: Alison Lenton s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:24 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

To whom it may concern:

I'm deeply worried that our local marine animals will be disturbed and even harmed if a marine mammal permit is granted to Jet Junkies.

Who will police these jet ski tours to ensure they aren't using excessive speed or getting too close to wildlife? Dolphins, seals and whales can all surface without warning and could be injured by the jet skis. Not to mention the amplified sound under the water, which could disrupt communication and cause stress and fear to wildlife. Please consider the animals first when making your decision. Say no to this application!

Sincerely,
A Lenton

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Michael Dine

From: Melanie Miller s 9(2)(b)(ii) unreasonable commercial prejudice
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:24 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Kia ora DOC,

We strongly oppose the application by Jet Junkies for a marine mammal permit.

It is completely unacceptable to operate jet skis tours in dolphin areas and for dolphin viewing activities.

Marine mammals are not playthings or toys for human entertainment.

Lyttelton harbour area is habitat to vulnerable Hector's dolphin, other dolphin species, fur seals and whales.

Research has shown that regular interaction with humans/boats reduces the normal feeding and social behaviour of dolphins and can lead to reduced number of dolphins births and reduced survival of young – see studies undertaken in Bay of Islands (Northland), for example.

Jet skis driven by inexperienced tourists and young or untrained people are likely to be a real safety hazard for marine mammals, and possibly other boats.

Please decline the application by Jet Junkies, and all similar applications in future.

This is a totally inappropriate activity.

Ngā mihi,

Melanie Miller & Tom Batchelor

Michael Dine

From: Sue McG s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:22 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Dear DOC

I am very concerned, shocked and alarmed to hear of an application for Jet ski tours to view dolphins. I feel that this is a totally inappropriate way of viewing these mammals and would cause immense amounts of disruption to their habitat and lives, as well as noise pollution. Also the risk of colliding with a surfacing dolphin and risk of injury to them.

Surely this needs to be turned down. A more appropriate and peaceful method such as kayaking would be no problem!

Please don't let this happen!

Thanks

Sue McGregor

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Michael Dine

From: Tameka M s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:18 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

I was shocked to hear that local jet ski company Jet Junkies has applied for a marine mammal permit, which would allow them to operate jet ski tours around the Lyttelton harbour. As you know, this area is home to many marine mammals, including the vulnerable Hector's dolphin. Noise pollution, habitat disturbance and risk of collisions are of great concern. Please consider our precious wildlife and decline this application.

Sincerely, Tameka Murrain

Michael Dine

From: Sam Chapman s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:23 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

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Sincerely
Sam Chapman

Michael Dine

From: laura gentle s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:08 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Kia Ora DOC,

I am writing to ask that you decline Jet Junkies' marine mammal permit. High speed, noisy vessels are not the best way to view wildlife. I am concerned that there is little to stop these jet skis going faster and getting closer to wildlife than they propose to. Not to mention the unpredictability of marine mammal movement. I worry about collisions and noise pollution under the water. These animals deserve a peaceful haven. Please keep it that way by declining the permit.

Laura

Sent from my iPhone

Michael Dine

From: Aaron Tily [s 9(2)(a) privacy]
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:05 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

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Regards
Aaron Tily

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Michael Dine

From: uta.toscani s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Friday, 11 February 2022 8:01 am
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies Marine Mammal Permit Application

Hello,

I was shocked to hear that local jet ski company Jet Junkies has applied for a marine mammal permit, which would allow them to operate jet ski tours around the Lyttelton harbour. As you know, this area is home to many marine mammals, including the vulnerable Hector's dolphin. Noise pollution, habitat disturbance and risk of collisions are of great concern. Please consider our precious wildlife and decline this application.

Sincerely

Uta Toscani

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Michael Dine

From: s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Thursday, 10 February 2022 8:55 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Jet Junkies application in Lyttelton Harbour

I wish to object to Jet Junkies application for commercial operations from a vessel to view and swim with marine mammals.

I understand from the application that this is intended to include the viewing of Hector's dolphins in particular from a jet ski.

This proposal would appear to have potentially serious adverse effects that are contrary to both the relevant policies of the Department of Conservation legislation and also the Marine Mammals Protection Regulations 1992. The DOC website states that the conservation status of these dolphins is "nationally vulnerable". Of a list of "threats" to this species, three of them are given as "boat strike", "tourism" and "noise".

This proposal entails all three.

The application states that the jet skis cruise at 40kmh and have a maximum speed of 81kmh. They have no propellers but the engines make a lot of noise.

The Marine Mammals Protection Regulations 1992 states, under Sect 20, that;

d)"no person is to make a loud or disturbing noise near dolphins or seals" and e)"no vessel is allowed within 300 metres of a pod".

If the intent of the application is to allow the applicant to take tourists close enough to the dolphins for them to have a "close encounter" then these regulations would preclude that.

The dolphins habitat is already threatened by existing boating and shipping activities in Lyttelton Harbour, including the expansion of the port, and further harm should be discouraged.

The existing dolphins can already be seen from the Tug Lyttelton on Sundays in summer, and occasionally from the Black Cat ferries that ply the harbour. This is a chance encounter, and the dolphins choose when to surface and which boat to follow. It is totally inappropriate to allow a permit that would see them "hunted" by a pack of jet skis.

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From: Rodney Chambers s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Thursday, 10 February 2022 7:08 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Submission on Jet Junkies Limited permit application

To whom it may concern,

I object to the proposal by Jet Junkies to undertake marine mammal watching on jetski's in Lyttelton Harbour.

- 1) unnecessary added harassment of dolphins etc.
- 2) jet ski's inappropriate vessels for suggested purpose.
- 3) unproven responsible business operator with no conservation credentials.
- 4) jetski users likely to have far greater negative impacts per person on wildlife than in larger boats.
- 5) increased general Harbour noise from new maritime business.
- 6) area proposed for licence includes shallow and quieter upper harbour area. This area south of Naval Point to Charteris Bay needs to be excluded from consideration.

Regards

Rodney Chambers

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Michael Dine

From: Permissions Christchurch
Sent: Thursday, 10 February 2022 1:53 pm
To: Michael Dine
Subject: FW: Submission Against the proposed JetSki Junkies marine mammal permit
Attachments: JetSkiJunkies_SubmissionDoC.docx

Harriet Kemp

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Whare Ōtautahi | Christchurch Office
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From: Genevieve Robinson **s 9(2)(a) privacy**
Sent: Thursday, 10 February 2022 1:27 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch <permissionschristchurch@doc.govt.nz>
Subject: Submission Against the proposed JetSki Junkies marine mammal permit

Please find attached my submission against the proposed mmp for JetSki Junkies.

Regards

Genevieve



Submission to: permissionschristchurch@doc.govt.nz

10 February, 2022

Submission requesting that the request for a permit for a Marine Mammal encounter by Jet Ski Junkies' - BE DECLINED

Thank you for the opportunity for commenting on the new proposal from Jet Ski, requesting the Department for a Marine Mammal watch experience.

Please take the time to read in detail, why we believe this should not be given the green light.

Approximately 100 Hector's dolphins frequent Lyttelton harbour and the surrounding bays, each day.

Around 20 individual dolphins can be detected in the harbour itself, at any one time.

Lyttelton harbour is the only industrial harbour in the world to have daily Hector's dolphin visits - which is a privilege.

During the past few years, the dolphins have had to navigate a vast array of industrial activities, from recreational boating, commercial and industrial shipping, operations, channel deepening and dredging, full cruise ship berth development and associated rammed and hammer piling, land reclamation, and the daily container wash down contaminants from the operational port and associated activities.

To add yet another unnecessary human-based activity to the mix, is just an extra stressor for our endemic dolphins.

In detail - Jet Skis are designed for speed and quick turns, and are not recommended as a safe vessel for dolphin watching, for either the jet ski driver, passengers, or for the marine mammals.

Hector's prefer predictability - engaging with boats that manoeuvres slowly - such as small sailing yachts, kayaks and the like.

New Zealand dolphin watching regulations state that boats shouldn't speed in areas known to be hot spots for cetaceans, and other marine mammals.

There is already a lot of dolphin watching opportunities - such as those using commercial boats designed to cause the least impact and are operated by experienced skippers.

These operators know the area well, the behaviours of the dolphins, their biology, and facts relating to their conservation.

Frequently, the cumulative impacts of anthropogenic activities are not considered, whereas, they should be.

such as:

1. Fishing
2. Aquaculture
3. Current area uses - such as the industrial port activities.
4. Underwater noise - readings should be documented for such permit submissions, such as the range of jet-ski operational noise.
5. Dredging, and the dumping of dredge spoils right outside Lyttelton harbour
6. Pollution, eg: antifouling paint in dredge spoils, sewerage, container wash down from the port operations, and other sources.
7. Racing, such as fast yachts and speed boats, and continuous daily ferry crossings.

Since 2014, I have been involved in the conservation of these dolphins, and am a staunch advocate for their protections - especially in Banks Peninsula.

In past 10 weeks alone, there have been at least 9 Hector's deaths (reported), and 1 Maui dolphin. That is a dolphin less in an already unstable population: Hector's are at just 30 percent their original biomass.

We must limit our human-based activities to make sure these creatures not only survive, but thrive.

I strongly believe that using JetSkis for the sole purpose of a tourism venture: viewing slow-moving, protected native dolphins, and orca, is not only senseless, the very concept is on the cusp of negligence.

If this permit is accepted, for any reason, I will be rallying up further support, and appealing that decision.

Yours sincerely



Michael Dine

From: Colin Mehlhopt s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Tuesday, 8 February 2022 4:02 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Proposal hazard at Lyttelton

To whom this submission concerns,

I'm afraid if a fleet of jet skis are used in the area for this purpose, the dolphins will be upset & destroyed by this invasion to their habitat as the jet skis will be too rowdy & too fast.

I am in support of Hectors dolphin advocate Genevieve Robinson and her stance and comments raised concerning the grave risk and cumulative effect on their natural environment, because she knows what she's talking about.

There are safer alternatives to educate and inform without endangering marine life in their own surroundings.

The line must be drawn with a considerable amount of humanitarianism before such a menacing, money-grabbing proposal is approved.

As a responsible citizen like yourself, take this letter into consideration for the future of the environment we want to leave behind for the generations to follow!

Regards,

Maui Matenga

Michael Dine

From: Colin Mehlhopt s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Tuesday, 8 February 2022 3:59 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Proposal hazard for Lyttelton

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Regards,

Metua Makike

Michael Dine

From: Colin Mehlhopt s 9(2)(a) privacy
Sent: Tuesday, 8 February 2022 3:44 pm
To: Permissions Christchurch
Subject: Proposal hazard for Lyttelton

To whom this submission concerns,

I'm a regular user of the Lyttelton Harbour for amateur fishing and I occasionally see Hector dolphins. I'm afraid if a fleet of jet skis are used in the area for this purpose, the dolphins will be upset & destroyed by this invasion to their habitat as the jet skis will be too rowdy & too fast.

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Regards,

Colin Thomas