

WHAT FOUNDING PRINCIPLES FOR A MARINE PARK?

A marine park (IUCN VI):

1. That conserves ecosystems and habitats.
2. That sustains cultural values and traditional natural resource management systems.
3. Where most of the area is in a natural condition and a proportion is under sustainable natural resource management.
4. Where low-level non-industrial use of natural resources compatible with nature conservation is seen as one of the main aims of the area.

Trustees principles:

Trust document:

Maintain and enhance the mauri of natural resources for the benefit of all:

1. Integrated management and sustainable use.
2. Community knowledge and stewardship, kaitiakitanga.
3. Long term maintenance and enhancement of marine areas' ecosystems.
4. Multi-sector management based on sound knowledge and research.
5. Promote initiative for healthy marine ecosystems.
6. Education, understanding, knowledge, and enjoyment.

Submission on MPA Bill:

1. A network of ecologically and socially viable marine protected areas that allows for uncertainty, resilience, and the dynamics of the marine environment.
2. Includes replicates to take into account issues of connectivity with other protected areas and with ecosystems and valued places that might benefit from such connection.
3. The myriad interests and contributions of the tangata whenua would be integral to decisions on protection and management and their values would underpin a collective culture of kaitiakitanga.
4. Policy, planning and administration would be strongly integrated with related management of fisheries and natural resources.
5. Collaborative practices would be the core way of doing business.

Orange team: Agreed as above.

Purple team: Adopt marine park points 1-4 above.

Green team:

- Used by all
- Enhance the Sounds natural state - pre human.
- All uses need to be sustainable and resilient.
- Local governance - people have a say.
- Tangata whenua involvement/integral.
- Evolving evidence based management.
- Decision-making based on good science.
- Land-based (catchment) activities inform management.
- Ownership by all sectors of society - education.
- For the benefit of future generations.

Yellow team:

Marine park points 1-4:

- Fundamentals have to fit locally, and if it fits into international standards = bonus.
- Right management in place needed to drive the fundamental four points.

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- Maintain and “restore” the mauri of natural resources for the benefit of all (rather than “enhance”).

WHAT COULD BE THE WEAKESSES OF A MARINE PARK?

Orange team:

- Lack of consensus.
- Insufficient funding.
- Conflicting interest.

Purple team:

- Cost of enforcement.
- Need buy-in from all.
- Too much bureaucracy.
- People don't want to be told what to do.

Green team:

- Getting bogged down in complexity.
- Needs huge leadership/management.
- Lack of funding.
- Over-competing claims/uses by various parties.
- Lack of buy-in by central Government.
- Small size a weakness.

Yellow team:

- Long-term processes and implementation.
- On-going management:
 - Restrictions on operation;
 - Funding - enough activity to sustainably fund;
 - Needs to agree on structure, otherwise fractured.

Blue team:

- Timeline - urgency - quick wins and first aid.
- Independent science.
- Managing and compliance.
- Lack of a holistic approach.
- Management (governance) - policies and planning.
- Conflicts of interests (existing).
- Existing stakeholders 'locking in' their interests which may be outside of greater good.
- Existing property rights and expectations.
- Funding - set up and ongoing.
- Gaining political support and willingness.
- Zoning issues - overlap?
- Scale - risk of being too small re zones.
- Based on existing information.

Red team:

- Funding (including international).
- Education and consensus building.
- Time to build.
- Personnel for wardens/monitoring.
- No mandate.

WHAT COULD BE THE STRENGTHS OF A MARINE PARK?

Orange team:

- Complete buy-in by interested parties.
- Sufficient funding.
- No conflicting interests.
- Consensus expectations.
- Efficient management - relevant and integrated science.
- Long-term view.
- Drive the science.
- Respond to the science.
- Public education and information available.
- Stronger community, common focus.
- Achievable solutions.
- Ability to zone.

Purple team:

- Management activities rules “need teeth”.
- Compliance.
- Public awareness and support.
- Coordination activities.
- Wider community involvement.
- Economic advantages.
- Stable structure.

Green team:

- Includes a range of parties.
- Working for the greater good.
- To actually see an improvement in the environment.
- Boost the economy.
- Improve water quality.
- Acknowledge what we have got (high value of natural character).
- Passing on to next generations.

Yellow team:

- Locally based integrated governing body.
- Self-funded.
- Continuously increasing, benefit for future generations with correct framework.

Blue team:

- Benefits for everyone and everything long-term.
- More cohesive approach - potential alignment with planning.
- A model or blue print which leads to understanding and buy-in.
- Good governance.
- Future generations - flexibility.
- Planning for future growth.
- Sustainability.
- Tourism potential/opportunity. Community and industry, tourism economic benefit.
- Integrated plan - inclusive approach.
- Showcase to the world.
- Leading science and education.
- Connectivity 'ridge to reef' approach.
- Habitat protection.

Red team:

- Potential access to resources that are not currently considered (UNESCO).
- Champions, eg. MPs, mayor, MDC, iwi, Trust, media, agencies, residents.
- Not imposed, community driven, holistic.

IF A MARINE PARK, THEN WHAT BOUNDARIES?

Orange team:

- Whole area and zone within.
- Alternative smaller area and expand.

Purple team:

- Maybe in stages?

Green team:

- Boundary from Cape Campbell to Separation Point, but at least include Croiselles Harbour.

Yellow team:

- 12 nautical mile limit.

Blue team:

- Catchments have to be part of this proposal as consideration.
- Use 'Soundfish' boundaries, MDC boundaries.
- Broad enough to advocate to neighbouring districts.
- 'Ridge to reef' - tie with MDC Plan.
- Practical boundaries with built-in buffers.

Red team:

- Cape Soucis.
- Marlborough harbour limits plus 10 nautical miles.
- Zoning.
- Options - White Bluffs (visible), Clarence (not visible). Go bigger to begin with.
- MDC boundary.

IF NOT A MARINE PARK, THEN WHAT?

Orange team:

- Management area's (take note plural).

Purple team:

- Need integrated management now, otherwise more deterioration.

Green team:

- Unesco Biosphere.
- IUCN VI standard.

Blue team:

- Input into MDC Plan.
- Fisheries MPI management.
- Unconstitutional legislation.
- Voluntary restrictions.
- Status quo is simply not working.

Red team:

- Biosphere (removes 3 year elections influence (land + water)).
- Have both Biosphere and Marine Park.
- Maritime Park?