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**NOTICE OF DECISION OF COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS – STOCK EXEMPTION**

With regard to the request for consent from David and Rosemary Gunn on behalf of Lake Taylor Station Limited for an exemption from the stock limitation specified in clause (f) of Lake Taylor pastoral lease, the Commissioner of Crown Lands (CCL) has made the following decision.

1.(a) To **grant** a variation to an exemption to the stock limitation specified in clause (f) of Lake Taylor pastoral lease to enable Lake Taylor Station Limited to carry the following stock subject to conditions:

**6830 sheep including up to 3500 breeding ewes**  
**260 cattle including up to 180 breeding cows**

The exemption is subject to the following conditions:

- (i) The wintering of 140 breeding cows for four months annually on Department of Conservation grazing licence land (currently recorded as concession number 45783-GRA held by David and Rosemary Gunn). If this grazing is no longer available, the cattle stock exemption is reduced to 250 cattle including up to 160 breeding cows.
- (ii) In the Mason Flats area between Munro Saddle and Lake Mason, up to 50 cows and calves may be grazed from September to December annually; up to 160 cows and calves may be grazed from January to May annually;

- (iii) Pasturage is to be maintained in healthy condition without depletion of soils, by the application of adequate fertiliser based on soil testing (in areas where CCL consent to apply fertiliser is held).
- (iv) Stock numbers are to be managed to avoid over-grazing that could deplete vegetative cover and increase the potential for erosion.
- (v) Good management practices are progressively undertaken to minimise sediment, nutrients and pathogens reaching wetlands and waterways.
- (vi) The existing fence excluding cattle from Little Lake Mason is maintained to ensure it remains effective.
- (vii) A Farm Environment Plan for the lease is to be completed within 12 months of the date of this Notice and provided to LINZ.
- (i) An inspection organised by LINZ is to be carried out in Autumn 2022 to ensure compliance with the above conditions.

1.(b) Reasons for decision:

An exemption to the stock limit specified in a lease can be made by the Commissioner of Crown Lands where it is appropriate to do so providing it is within the reasonable capacity of the land to carry such stock. The requested exemption has been assessed and the Commissioner has determined that it is appropriate to grant the exemption above. Conditions have been applied to the stock exemption that provide a default cattle exemption if a licence providing winter grazing for cows on Department of Conservation land is revoked, and to help protect inherent values and encourage good management practice on the lease.

The inspection in Autumn 2022 will help inform the Commissioner whether any further conditions are needed.

**Right of rehearing**

Please note that under the provisions of section 17 Land Act 1948, the lessee has the right to apply for a rehearing of the Commissioner's decision. Section 17 provides that:

**17. Application for rehearing** – (1) *Any person aggrieved by any decision of the Commissioner or any determination of an administrative nature by the Commissioner may, within 21 days after being notified of that decision or determination, apply to the Commissioner for a rehearing, and the Commissioner may, at any time within one month after receiving the application, grant a rehearing of the case if he/she thinks that justice requires it, and on the rehearing may reverse, alter, modify, or confirm the previous decision*

*or determination in the same case:*

If the lessee wishes to apply for a rehearing, then an application must be submitted to this office within 21 days of receipt of this letter. The application should clearly state the grounds on which an application for a rehearing is made.

Yours sincerely



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