

LINZ ref: A2737602

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Harper Pass Limited  
The Lakes Station  
Lake Sumner Road  
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Via email: [s 9(2)(a)]

Dear Mr Fletcher,

### NOTICE OF DECISION OF COMMISSIONER OF CROWN LANDS

With regard to the application for an exemption from the stock limitation specified in the conditions of The Lakes pastoral lease, the Commissioner of Crown Lands has made the following decision:

- 1 (a) In accordance with the provisions of sections 9 and 18 Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998, to **grant** to Harper Pass Limited an exemption to the stock limitation specified in The Lakes pastoral lease to enable the following stock to be carried:

A total of **15,500** stock units comprising approximately **11,700 sheep** (including not less than 8,545 breeding ewes) and **850 cattle** (including not more than 625 breeding cows). Stock unit calculations are based on the following stock unit (SU) conversion factors;

Breeding ewes	1 SU
Dry sheep	0.7 SU
Breeding cows	6 SU
Dry cattle	4.5 SU
Deer	2 SU

Subject to the following conditions:

- (i) That the pastoral lease is farmed in conjunction with the adjacent freehold land of at least 1,700 hectares; and
- (ii) That the pastoral lease is farmed in conjunction with approximately 590 hectares of Conservation Land currently farmed under a licence to occupy agreement with the Department of Conservation (DoC); and
- (iii) A revised request for exemption is to be sought if any of the above circumstances change.

1 (b) Reasons for decision

The proposed stock exemption will allow the continuation of the current grazing management of the lease (in conjunction with the freehold and DoC licence) following the transfer of the

pastoral lease to Harper Pass Limited. The exemption allows the lessee to maximise production and will make it easier to farm the land without damaging inherent values.

### **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,



Jaimee Grant  
Portfolio Manager

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