MACA Ruapuke Island Hearing Overview

1. Hearing Area

The Ruapuke Island Hearing was allocated by Churchman J in June 2023.¹

The hearing will deal with MACA application areas in the Takutai Moana surrounding Ruapuke Island² in Foveaux Strait.



The hearing area is defined by the application areas for the two local applicants:

CIV-2017-485-296 Ruapuke Island Group (green lines)

CIV-2017-485-295 Te Whānau o Tōpi (blue lines)



2. Dates and venue

The hearing will take place over three weeks starting 24 March 2025 at Invercargill High Court.

¹ Minute of Churchman J dated 6 June 2023 [Dunedin CMC - Ruapuke Island Hearing]

² Maps sourced from <u>Kōrero Takutai</u> under <u>Te Arawhiti CC License</u>

3. Participants

CIV	Applicant Group	Lead Counsel
CIV-2017-485-295	Te Whānau o Tōpi	R Fife (Self-represented)
CIV-2017-485-296	Ruapuke Island Group	J Inns
CIV-2017-485-280	Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu	R Brown
Interested Parties		
	Attorney General	G Melvin

4. Hearing Timetable

Item	Due dates
Applicants file their evidence (31 weeks before hearing)	19 August 2024
Interested parties, other than the Attorney-General, file their evidence (22 weeks before hearing)	21 October 2024
Applicants file submissions as to the appointment of pūkenga (22 weeks before hearing)	21 October 2024
Attorney-General files evidence (15 weeks before hearing)	10 December 2024
Applicants' evidence in reply filed	23 December 2024
Close of pleadings (10 weeks before hearing)	16 January 2025
Applicants file opening submissions and bundles of authorities (8 weeks before hearing)	27 January 2025
Interested parties file submissions and bundles of authorities (2 weeks before hearing)	10 March 2025
Attorney-General files submissions and bundles of authorities (2 weeks before hearing)	10 March 2025
Hearing begins	24 March 2025
Hearing ends (3 weeks of hearing time)	18 April 2025