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Napier City Council  
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Dear Napier City Council

### Submission Pipeline Protection Application

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Submarine Pipeline Protection Application.

The Regional Council supports the application for submarine pipeline protection zones as outlined in the application. We believe that the creation of these zones will provide protection from damage to the pipes, lessening the risk of nearshore pollution events resulting in adverse environmental effects. However, we want to ensure that compliance activities and environmental sampling could still occur within these zones.

We support the exclusion of commercial fishing vessels whilst still allowing for recreational fishing vessels and small water craft to travel through the zone as we are aware the most damaging and risky activity around submarine pipelines has proven to be bottom trawling.

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Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on the Submarine Pipeline Protection application. Should you have any queries about the content of this submission please contact as above.

Yours sincerely



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