

**SEA CHANGE – TAI TIMU TAI PARI  
STAKEHOLDER WORKING GROUP  
MEETING OVERVIEW  
DECEMBER 2015**

The Stakeholder Working Group (SWG) met on 14 and 15 December 2015 in Auckland.

The SWG is working through a number of topics for the marine spatial plan.

This is done on an iterative basis, with further work and discussion being undertaken between SWG meetings (including through topic specific 'sub-groups'), and reporting back at the next SWG meeting. The writing team undertakes research and writing in preparation for the next meeting.

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The matters discussed at the December 2015 SWG meeting included:

- Potential structure for the marine spatial plan;
- Mātauranga Māori and the importance of these values being front and centre and being weaved throughout the marine spatial plan;
- Water quality – presentation on SMART objectives, management actions and potential priority sites;
- Economics – presentation on economic issues for the marine spatial plan;
- Aquaculture, including potential locations for aquaculture and potential effects that need to be considered;
- Aquaculture – Mātauranga Māori update and presentation on the Māori Commercial Aquaculture Settlement and Iwi aspirations;
- Communications and engagement;
- The plan writing process for the marine spatial plan;
- An update from the Sea Change – Tai Timu Tai Pari agency 'conduits' (relevant local authorities, central government departments and the Hauraki Gulf Forum).