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Rakiura National Park Order 2002
(SR 2002/6)

Note

This order is administered in the Department of Conservation.

Pursuant to section 7 of the National Parks Act 1980, Her Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following order.

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1 Title

- This order is the Rakiura National Park Order 2002.

2 Commencement

- This order comes into force on the 28th day after the date of its notification in the Gazette.

3 Land declared national park

- (1) The land described in the Schedule—
 - (a) is available to be declared a national park; and
 - (b) is declared a national park subject to the National Parks Act 1980.
- (2) In this order, **land** includes the waters and beds of all internal rivers, lakes, and streams; but excludes all legal roads.

4 National park named

- The national park declared in regulation 3 is named Rakiura National Park.

Schedule

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Description of land in Southland Land District Southland District
139960.3937 hectares being sections 1 to 52, SO Plan 304210.

Marie Shroff,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order establishes the Rakiura National Park on Stewart Island/Rakiura. It includes the bulk of the land held for reserve or conservation purposes on the island. The establishment of the park follows the usual processes under the National Parks Act 1980, including public consultation and a recommendation from the New Zealand Conservation Authority.

Stewart Island/Rakiura is a largely unspoilt area of natural and scenic beauty that is increasingly valued as a refuge for threatened species and examples of unmodified ecosystems. Vegetation ranges from coastal forest to alpine grassland. The landscape is rugged and unique, creating a particular wilderness character that justifies national park status.

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