

CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

Q1. Do you agree with the recommended list of Priority Marine Features as the basis for targeting future marine conservation action in Scotland's seas?

If your response includes a suggestion to amend the list, please indicate the specific species and habitats that your comments apply to and, where possible, provide or reference any evidence or data sources which have influenced your comments.

YES ✓

Comments: Comprehensive and well put together. Covers all areas and species relevant. No suggestions to amend but wonder if with climate change and warming seas, the priority features need to be kept in view for changes in species.

General

Q2. Are there other issues that have not been highlighted in this consultation that you would like to mention?

YES ✓

Comments: I have also responded to the seaweed consultation and have serious strategic concerns for priority habitats and species in ecosystems if Scotland rushes into seaweed cultivation without EIAs and monitoring. There are already changes due to finfish salmon farms up the west coast. Our pristine environment is a great prize for Scotland as the Priority Marine Features and species lists show.