

FISHERIES & AQUACULTURE

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NOTICE TO LAKES AND COORONG FISHERY AND MARINE SCALEFISH FISHERY LICENCE HOLDERS WITH PIPI QUOTA

Dear Licence Holder,

I write to inform you of amendments made to regulations under the *Fisheries Management Act 2007* (the Act), relating to the fishing closures and spatial management within the Lakes and Coorong Fishery.

On 1 July 2021, the Fisheries Management (Lakes and Coorong) Regulations 2009 were amended as follows:

- As described in the Management Plan for the South Australian Commercial Lakes and Coorong Fishery the amended regulations allow for the spatial separation of the Pipi resource to separate commercial and recreational fishing. Commercial access is restricted to the area south east of the Murray Mouth and recreational access is restricted to north west of the Murray Mouth.
- Following considerable research undertaken by SARDI to ensure low risk to Pipi stock sustainability the regulation amendments now allow for the commercial sector to operate over a 12-month season to reflect the quota period established for the fishery.

These regulations, together with other amended and new regulations implemented as part of the reform of the Marine Scalefish Fishery are available on the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) website at pir.sa.gov.au/fishingreform.

I am also pleased to advise you that the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development adopted the *Management Plan for the South Australian Commercial Lakes and Coorong Fishery* on 10 June 2021. This new plan will come into effect from 1 March 2022, following expiry of the current plan. The plan will be made publicly available on the PIRSA website once it comes into effect.

If you have any questions in relation to the above matters or require an electronic copy of the management plan please contact Kylie Leppa, Fisheries Management Officer on telephone (08) 8429 0516 or e-mail kylie.leppa@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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