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NOTICE TO FISHERS: SNAPPER MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

To licence holders of the Marine Scalefish Fishery, Southern Zone Rock Lobster Fishery, Northern Zone Rock Lobster Fishery and Lakes and Coorong Fishery with Marine Scalefish access.

I write to you regarding the temporary Snapper fishery management arrangements in the South East region.

On 25 January 2020, a Notice to Fishers was sent to licence holders implementing commercial Snapper management arrangements in the South East region. As you are aware, following advice from the Snapper Management Advisory Committee (Snapper MAC) it was recommended that the Total Allowable Catch (TAC) for the 2021 South East Snapper fishing season be set at 26,666 kilograms from 1 February 2021 to 30 June 2021.

A Total Allowable Commercial Catch (TACC) was set at 21,600 kg from 1 February 2021 to 30 June 2021. It was also communicated that once 100% of the TACC of 21,600 kg was caught, access to Snapper will be closed. The Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) has been closely monitoring the TACC daily through catch and disposal records (CDRs) for Snapper and as of 31 March 2021, I can now advise that 100% of the TACC of 21,600 kg Snapper was reached.

In accordance with the management arrangements for Snapper, I now write to advise that commercial Snapper fishing activities for the South East region will be closed from 0001 hours on 2 April 2021 to 2359 hours on 30 June 2021. A copy of the notices implementing these arrangements in the South Australian Government Gazette pursuant to section 79 of the *Fisheries Management Act 2007* are attached.

Should you have any further queries in relation to this matter, please contact Mr Keith Rowling, Program Leader of Community Base Fisheries on (08) 8429 0513.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G Begg'.

Prof Gavin Begg
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