

Fisheries Management Act 2007

Notice of intention to prepare a Management Plan for the South Australian Commercial Gulf St Vincent Prawn Fishery

PURSUANT to Section 44(1) of the *Fisheries Management Act 2007*, notice is hereby given that the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development intends to prepare a Management Plan for the South Australian Commercial Gulf St Vincent Prawn Fishery.

The Management Plan will be developed by the Department of Primary Industries and Regions in accordance with the provisions of Part 5 of the *Fisheries Management Act 2007*. This plan will apply to the Gulf St Vincent Prawn Fishery as formally constituted by the *Fisheries Management (Prawn Fisheries) Regulations 2017* (the regulations) to ensure the ecologically sustainable harvest of Western King Prawns.

The regulations define the fishery as:

- (a) the taking of prawns in Gulf St Vincent; and
- (b) the taking of aquatic resources specified in Schedule 1 Part 1 in Gulf St Vincent where the aquatic resources are taken at the same time in the same net incidentally to the taking of prawns.

The aquatic resources specified in Schedule 1 Part 1 of the regulations are: Balmain Bug (*Ibacus spp*) and Southern Calamari (*Sepioteuthis australis*).

Gulf St Vincent (GSV) is defined in the regulations as meaning the waters of Gulf St. Vincent, Investigator Strait and Backstairs Passage contained within and bounded by a line commencing at Mean High Water Springs closest to 35°13'26.90" South, 137°00'00.00" East, then beginning easterly following the line of Mean High Water Springs to the location closest to 35°39'37.06" South, 138°13'38.09" East (Porpoise Head), then south-westerly to the location on Mean High Water Springs closest to 35°48'06.93" South, 138°07'29.06" East (Cape St Albans, Kangaroo Island), then beginning south-westerly following the line of Mean High Water Springs to the location closest to 35°40'20.07" South, 137°0'00.00" East, then northerly to the point of commencement (GDA94).



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