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NOTICE TO MARINE SCALEFISH FISHERY, SPENCER GULF PRAWN FISHERY, NORTHERN ZONE ROCK LOBSTER AND CHARTER BOAT FISHERY LICENCE HOLDERS

Dear Licence holder

I write to inform you of temporary fishing management changes implemented to protect the Giant Australian Cuttlefish in Spencer Gulf.

A spatial Cuttlefish closure within the waters north of a line between Arno Bay and Wallaroo is to be reinstated to conserve and protect the Giant Australian Cuttlefish populations in the Spencer Gulf. Longer-term arrangements to protect spawning aggregations of these Cuttlefish are being considered.

As delegate of the Minister of Primary Industries and Regional Development, I have issued a notice under section 79 of the *Fisheries Management Act 2007* to implement the temporary closure.

I have enclosed a copy of the notice and map of the new spatial closure for your information, if you have any further questions, you can contact Sam Stone, Fisheries Manager on telephone (08) 8429 2101 or email sam.stone@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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