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NOTICE TO FISHERS SNAPPER MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Dear Charter Boat Fishery Licence Holder

I write to advise you of updated Snapper management arrangements for the Charter Boat Fishery and recreational fishing sector for the South East Fishing Zone (SEFZ), which have been made following the consideration of proposals provided by the Charter Boat Association of South Australia and RecFish SA.

After considering the recommendations from the Marine Scalefish Fishery Management Advisory Committee (MSFMAC), and scientific advice from the South Australian Research and Development Institute (SARDI) indicating a low risk to the sustainability of the South East / Western Victorian Snapper stock, as delegate of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development, I have approved carry-over of 10% of the 2022/23 Snapper catch limit for the Charter Boat Fishery to the catch limit for 2023/24, increasing the catch limit for the Charter Boat Fishery by 640 kg, to 9,952 kg in 2023/24. Please note, all other arrangements for the Charter Boat Fishery remain unchanged.

For your information, I have also implemented the following changes for recreational Snapper fishing (i.e. not part of a charter trip) in the SEFZ from 18 October 2023 to 30 June 2024:

- Carry-over of 10% of the 2022/23 Snapper catch limit for the recreational sector to their catch limit for 2023/24;
- An increase to the recreational daily bag limit of Snapper from 1 Snapper per person to 2 Snapper per person, and to the daily boat limit from 3 Snapper to 6 Snapper when there are three persons or more fishing from the same boat.

Should you have any further queries in relation to Snapper management for the recreational fishery please contact Jordan Lear, Fishery Manager at Jordan.lear@sa.gov.au or on 0401 121 955.

Yours sincerely

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