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NOTICE TO FISHERS

To Gulf St Vincent Prawn Fishery licence holders

CARRY OVER OF REMAINING UNFISHED NIGHTS FROM 2019/20 TO POST-CHRISTMAS PERIOD OF 2021/22

I wrote previously on 29 October 2021 to inform you of the management arrangements for the Gulf St Vincent Prawn Fishery (GSVPF) for the 2021/22 fishing season and that a decision on carry-over of the remaining 50% of unfished fishing nights from prescribed period 2 of the 2019/20 fishing season to prescribed period 2 of the 2021/22 fishing season.

As delegate of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development, I have determined that the remaining unfished nights from the 2019/20 fishing season shall be carried over to prescribed period 2 of the 2021/22 fishing season, commencing on 1 March 2022.

In determining these arrangements, I have considered:

- The objects of the *Fisheries Management Act 2007*;
- The *Fisheries Management (Prawn Fisheries) Regulations 2017*;
- Advice from SARDI on the latest key performance indicators for the fishery;
- The current stock status as determined by the harvest strategy and decision rules contained in the *Management Plan for the South Australian Commercial Gulf St Vincent Prawn Fishery*;
- The proposed harvest strategy for the next management plan, developed in consultation with the Gulf St Vincent Prawn Fishery Management Advisory Committee (GSVPFMAC); and
- An independent expert review of the proposed harvest strategy.

Please note that these carry-over arrangements only apply to those licences with unfished nights from prescribed period 2 of the 2019/20 fishing season, and the number of units to be carried over will be a product of their remaining unfished nights and the Class B unit value for the 2021/22 fishing season (4.08 units per night).

For each relevant licence, the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) Leasing and Licensing has now adjusted the fishing night unit entitlements on the Registrations and Entitlements Certificate. Where applicable, enclosed is a copy of the updated Registrations and Entitlements Certificate for your licence.

Should you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Dr Annabel Jones, Acting General Manager Fisheries Management, on (08) 8429 0500.

Yours sincerely



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