

FISH RESOURCES MANAGEMENT ACT 1994

SHARK BAY PRAWN MANAGED FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN 1993

**NOTICE OF AREAS CLOSED TO FISHING FOR PRAWNS IN THE SHARK BAY
PRAWN MANAGED FISHERY**

Notice No. 1 of 2024

I, Nathan Harrison, Executive Director Fisheries and Agriculture Resource Management of the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, Western Australia, in accordance with clause 10 of the *Shark Bay Prawn Managed Fishery Management Plan 1993*, consider it in the better interest of the Shark Bay Prawn Managed Fishery (Fishery) to hereby –

1. Cancel *Notice of Areas Closed to Fishing for Prawns in the Shark Bay Prawn Managed Fishery: Notice No. 5 of 2023* dated 15 September 2023.
2. Permit the trialling of gear between 0800 and 1600 hours each day from 17 April 2024 to 30 April 2024 provided no fish are held on board, or landed from, the authorised boat and from 1 May 2024 to 13 October 2024 provided the cod-end is open, in the area described as the ***Gear Trial Area*** in the Schedule to this Notice.
3. Except as provided for under Clause 2 of this Notice, prohibit fishing for prawns in those parts of the Fishery, between the times and dates provided for in items (a) to (i) below -
 - (a) fishing for prawns is prohibited from the date of the gazettal of *Notice No. 1 of 2024* to 0800 hours on 13 October 2024 in the following areas defined in the Schedule to this Notice –
 - i. ***Withnell Point Closure***
 - ii. ***Red Cliff Point Closure***
 - iii. ***Southern Carnarvon Peron Line Closure***
 - iv. ***Northern Carnarvon Peron Line Closure***
 - v. ***Snapper Trawl Line Closure***
 - vi. ***Snapper Trawl Line Extension Closure***
 - (b) fishing for prawns is prohibited from the date of the gazettal of *Notice No. 1 of 2024* to 1700 hours on 27 May 2024 in the area defined as the ***North-Northern Carnarvon Peron Line Closure*** and ***Western Carnarvon Peron Line Closure*** in the Schedule to this Notice.
 - (c) fishing for prawns is prohibited from the date of the gazettal of *Notice No. 1 of 2024* to 1700 hours on 27 May 2024 in the area defined as the ***West-Northern Carnarvon Peron Line Closure*** in the Schedule to this Notice.
 - (d) fishing for prawns is prohibited from the date of the gazettal of *Notice No. 1 of 2024* to 1700 hours on 4 July 2024 in the area defined as the ***Central Carnarvon Peron Line Closure*** in the Schedule to this Notice.

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- (e) fishing for prawns is prohibited from 0800 hrs 20 May to 1700 hours on 26 July 2024 in the area defined as the **Denham Sound Closure** in the Schedule to this Notice.
 - (f) in parts of the Fishery within the area defined as **North of Koks Island** in the Schedule to this Notice where fishing for prawns is not otherwise prohibited, fishing for prawns is prohibited between 1000 hours and 1700 hours each day between the date of the gazettal of *Notice No. 1 of 2024* and 13 October 2024.
 - (g) in parts of the Fishery within the area defined as **South of Koks Island** in the Schedule to this Notice where fishing for prawns is not otherwise prohibited, fishing for prawns is prohibited between 0800 hours and 1700 hours each day between the date of the gazettal of *Notice No. 1 of 2024* and 13 October 2024.
4. Except as provided for under Clause 2 of this Notice, fishing for prawns is prohibited in all parts of the Fishery outside of the fishing season which is from 1700 hours on 1 May 2024 to 0800 hours on 13 October 2024.

SCHEDULE 1

Gear Trial Area

The part of the Fishery bounded by a line commencing at a point at 24° 50' south latitude and 113° 21.50' east longitude; then extending due south along the meridian to a point at 24° 52.75' south latitude and 113° 21.50' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 24° 52.75' south latitude and 113° 23.50' east longitude; then due north along the meridian a point at 24° 50' south latitude and 113° 23.50' east longitude; then due west along the parallel to the commencement point.

Withnell Point Closure

The part of the Fishery bounded by a line commencing at point at 25° 36' south latitude and 113° 01.63' east longitude (on Dirk Hartog Island); then extending due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 36' south latitude and 113° 03.75' east longitude; then due south along the meridian to a point at 25° 38' south latitude and 113° 03.75' east longitude; then due west along the parallel to a point at 25° 38' south latitude and 113° 02.29' east longitude (on Dirk Hartog Island); then generally northerly along the high water mark to the commencement point.

Red Cliff Point Closure

The part of the Fishery bounded by a line commencing at a point at 24° 56.80' south latitude and 113° 10.25' east longitude; then extending due north along the meridian to a point at 24° 52.72' south latitude and 113° 10.25' east longitude; then south-easterly along the geodesic to a point at 24° 55.80' south latitude and 113° 13.76' east longitude; then due south along the meridian to a point at 24° 56.80' south latitude and 113° 13.76' east longitude; then due west along the parallel to the commencement point.

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Southern Carnarvon Peron Line Closure

The part of the Fishery bounded by a line commencing at a point at 25° 26' south latitude and 113° 45.24' east longitude; then extending due west along the parallel to a point at 25° 26' south latitude and 113° 40' east longitude; then north-westerly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 20.40' south latitude and 113° 30.60' east longitude; then due north along the meridian to a point at 25° 15.20' south latitude and 113° 30.60' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 15.20' south latitude and 113° 40.706' east longitude; then south-easterly along the geodesic to the commencement point.

North of Koks Island

The part of the Fishery north of 24° 45.30' south latitude.

South of Koks Island

The part of the Fishery south of 24° 45.30' south latitude.

Northern Carnarvon Peron Line Closure

The part of the Fishery bounded by a line commencing at a point at 24° 52.75' south latitude and 113° 37.60' east longitude (on Babbage Island); then extending due west along the parallel to a point at 24° 52.75' south latitude and 113° 21' east longitude; then due south along the meridian to a point at 24° 58.10' south latitude and 113° 21' east longitude; then southerly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 03' south latitude and 113° 22.45' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 03' south latitude and 113° 33.517' east longitude; then northerly along the geodesic to a point at 24° 56.06' south latitude and 113° 31.887' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 24° 56.06' south latitude and 113° 40.90' east longitude (on the mainland); then generally north-westerly along the high water mark to the commencement point.

West-Northern Carnarvon Peron Line Closure

The part of the Fishery bounded by a line commencing at a point at 24° 52.75' south latitude and 113° 18.5' east longitude; then extending due west along the parallel to a point 24° 52.75' south latitude and 113° 10.25' east longitude; then extending due south along the meridian to a point at 24° 56.80' south latitude and 113° 10.25' east longitude; then south-westerly along the geodesic to a point at 24° 58.50' south latitude and 113° 09' east longitude; then south-easterly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 03' south latitude and 113° 12.24' east longitude; then extending due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 03' south latitude and 113° 18.5' east longitude; then due north along the meridian to the commencement point.

North-Northern Carnarvon Peron Line Closure

The part of the Fishery bounded by a line commencing at a point at 24° 50' south latitude and 113° 37.60' east longitude (on the mainland); then extending due west along the parallel to a point at 24° 50' south latitude and 113° 21' east longitude; then due south along the meridian to a point at 24° 52.75' south latitude and 113° 21' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 24° 52.75' south latitude and 113° 37.60' east longitude (on Babbage Island); then generally northerly along the high water mark to the commencement point.

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Central Carnarvon Peron Line Closure

The part of the Fishery bounded by a line commencing at a point at 25° 03' south latitude and 113° 33.52'; then extending due west along the parallel to a point at 25° 03' south latitude and 113° 22.45' east longitude; then southerly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 30.261' south latitude and 113° 30.6' east longitude; then extending due north along the meridian to a point at 25° 15.2' south latitude and 113° 30.6' east longitude; then east along the geodesic to a point at 25° 15.20' south latitude and 113° 40.706' east longitude; then north-westerly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 12.73' south latitude and 113° 39.67' east longitude; then north-westerly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 10.01' south latitude and 113° 37.24' east longitude; then north-westerly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 04.80' south latitude and 113° 33.94' east longitude; then north-westerly along the geodesic to the commencement point.

Western Carnarvon Peron Line Closure

The part of the Fishery bounded by a line commencing at a point at 25° 03' south latitude and 113° 22.45' east longitude; then southerly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 32' south latitude and 113° 25' east longitude; then extending due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 32' south latitude and 113° 29.74' east longitude (on the mainland at Cape Peron North); then northerly along the high water mark to a point at 25° 30.216' south latitude and 113° 30.6' (on the mainland at Cape Peron North); then northerly along the geodesic to the commencement point.

Denham Sound Closure

The part of the Fishery south of a line commencing at a point at 25° 32' south latitude and 113° 29.74' east longitude (on the mainland at Peron Peninsula); then extending due west along the parallel to a point at 25° 32' south latitude and 113° 25' east longitude; then westerly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 31.25' south latitude and 113° 09.75' east longitude; then westerly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 30' south latitude and 113° 01.40' east longitude (on Dirk Hartog Island at Cape Levillain); and in that part of the Fishery east of a line commencing at a point at 26° 07.30' south latitude and 113° 10.90' east longitude (on Dirk Hartog Island at Surf Point); then south-westerly along the geodesic to a point at 26° 08.62' south latitude and 113° 09.60' east longitude (on the mainland at Steep Point).

Snapper Trawl Line Closure

The part of the Fishery south of a line commencing at a point at 25° 40.59' south latitude and 113° 02.87' east longitude (on Dirk Hartog Island); then extending due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 40.59' south latitude and 113° 04.80' east longitude; then south-easterly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 41' south latitude and 113° 05.63' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 41' south latitude and 113° 08' east longitude; then south-easterly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 46' south latitude and 113° 13' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 46' south latitude and 113° 19' east longitude; then due north along the meridian to a point at 25° 38' south latitude and 113° 19' east longitude; then north-easterly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 32' south latitude and 113° 25' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 32' south latitude and 113° 29.74' east longitude (on the mainland at Peron Peninsula); and in that part of the Fishery east of a line commencing at a point at 26° 07.30' south latitude and 113° 10.90' east longitude (on Dirk Hartog Island at Surf Point); then south-westerly along the geodesic to a point at 26° 08.62' south latitude and 113° 09.60' east longitude (on the mainland at Steep Point).

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Snapper Trawl Line Extension Closure

The part of the Fishery south of a line commencing at a point at 25° 40.59' south latitude and 113° 02.87' east longitude (on Dirk Hartog Island); then extending due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 40.59' south latitude and 113° 04.80' east longitude; then south-easterly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 41' south latitude and 113° 05.63' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 41' south latitude and 113° 08' east longitude; then south-easterly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 42.40' south latitude and 113° 09.40' east longitude; then south along the meridian to a point at 25° 46.31' south latitude and 113° 09.40' east longitude; then south-easterly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 48.65' south latitude and 113° 12.17' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 48.65' south latitude and 113° 20.20' east longitude; then due north along the meridian to a point at 25° 40' south latitude and 113° 20.20' east longitude; then due west along the parallel to a point at 25° 40' south latitude and 113° 19' east longitude; then north along the meridian to a point at 25° 38' south latitude and 113° 19' east longitude; then north-easterly along the geodesic to a point at 25° 32' south latitude and 113° 25' east longitude; then due east along the parallel to a point at 25° 32' south latitude and 113° 29.74' east longitude (on the mainland at Peron Peninsula).

Nathan Harrison

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FISHERIES AND AGRICULTURE RESOURCE
MANAGEMENT
as delegate for CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Dated 17th of April 2024

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