

Australian Government

Australian Fisheries Management Authority

11 May 2021

Dear Torres Strait Beche-de-mer Fishery Traditional Inhabitant Boat (TIB) Licence Holder,

Notification of determination of the TAC Date for the black teatfish fishery

I am writing to inform you that, as the PZJA Delegate, I have determined the TAC Date for black teatfish to be 12 May 2022 based on my reasonable belief that the TAC will be reached on or about that date whilst avoiding the risk of an overcatch. <u>TIB licence holders **must stop**</u> <u>all fishing for black teatfish by 1200hrs AEST on the TAC Date of 12 May 2022 and land</u> <u>all their black teatfish catches to a licenced fish receiver by 1800hrs AEST.</u>

This means <u>you are not permitted to fish for black teatfish after 1200hrs (12:00pm) 12 May</u> 2022. This is one of the conditions of your licence as varied on 19 April 2022.

As at 11:30pm on 11 May, a total of 15.87 tonnes of black teatfish has been reported as being caught. Having considered reported catches since the commencement of the black teatfish opening on 9 May 2022, I have determined the TAC Date in accordance with conditions of your licence, which came into effect on 19 April 2022.

Please be aware that fish receivers will not be permitted to receive black teatfish after 1800hrs (6pm) on 12 May 2022.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Danait Ghebrezgabhier, Senior Management Officer, Torres Strait Fisheries, on 07 4069 1990 or by email at FisheriesTI@afma.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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