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## TORRES STRAIT SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING No. 57

7-8 March, 2012

Metropole Hotel, 81 Palmer Street, Townsville  
7 March 8:30-5pm, 8 March 8:30 – 3pm

### FINAL AGENDA

#### 1. Meeting Administration

- 1.1. Preliminaries - Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners/Chairs Opening  
Remarks/Meeting attendance/Declaration of Interests/Apologies
- 1.2. Review and Adoption of Agenda
- 1.3. Correspondence
- 1.4. Ratification of TSSAC 56 Minutes
- 1.5. Action Items from TSSAC 56

#### 2. TSSAC Research

- 2.1. Indigenous Fisheries Workshop outcomes (**TSRA – for noting**)
- 2.2. Turtle and Dugong presentations (**JCU researchers – for discussion**)
- 2.3. Research Project Overview (**AFMA – for noting**)
- 2.4. AFMA funded research projects (**AFMA – for noting**)
- 2.5. AFMA data storage systems (**AFMA – for discussion**)

#### 3. Update from AFMA working groups and Committees

- 3.1. Hand Collectables Working Group (**AFMA – for noting**)
- 3.2. Synopsis of Torres Strait fisheries status over last 12 months (**AFMA – for noting**)

#### 4. TSSAC Processes

- 4.1. 2011/2012 and 2012/2013 Budget (**AFMA – for noting**)
- 4.2. Research full proposals assessment (**TSSAC – for decision**)
  - Dr Darren Dennis – environmental impacts of climate change
  - Dr Ben Chuwen – smart phone technology in collecting fisheries data
  - Mr Anthony DeFries – Torres prawn consultations
- 4.3. Strategic Research Plan mid-term review (**AFMA – for decision**)
- 4.4. Research Priorities matrix (**AFMA and Mick O'Neill – for discussion**)
- 4.5. Commissioning an independent assessment of past and present turtle and dugong scientific research (**AFMA – for discussion**)
- 4.6. Desktop study on the effects of prawn trawling on TS reefs (**TSSAC – for discussion**)

#### 5. Other business

- 5.1. PNG Hand Collectable (**PNG – for noting**)
- 5.2. Climate change (**TSSAC – for discussion**)
- 5.3. Confirmation of TSSAC No. 58 (**AFMA – for decision**)

Individuals wishing to attend the meeting as an observer are required to contact the Chair, Mr Ian Cartwright: c/o TSSAC Executive Officer – Rebecca Williams (rebecca.williams@afma.gov.au) to notify of your desire to attend.

