

TORRES STRAIT FINFISH WORKING GROUP MEETING 2018.1

20 March 2018

Venue Bowl's Club, Victoria Parade, Thursday Island

MEETING TIME: 8:30am – 5:00pm Tuesday 20th March 2018

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Preliminaries

- 1.1. Opening Prayer / Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners / Welcome / Apologies
- 1.2. Adoption of agenda
- 1.3. Declaration of interests
- 1.4. Actions arising from Finfish Working Group Meeting 16-17 March 2017

2. Fishery Updates

- 2.1. Management agencies updates
- 2.2. Finfish Fishery export approval under the EPBC Act
- 2.3. Update on Fish Receiver System program since 1 December 2017 implementation
- 2.4. Legislative amendments update
- 2.5. Native Title update
- 2.6. Torres Strait fisheries strategic issues including economic trends

3. Finfish Resource Assessment Group Report: Meeting 1, 9-10 Nov 2017

4. Recommended Total Allowable Catches for 2018-19 Fishing Season

- 4.1. Spanish Mackerel – TAC recommendation for 2018-19 season
- 4.2. Coral Trout - TAC recommendation for 2018-19 season
- 4.3. Other reef line species

5. Research Updates

- 5.1. Updates on Torres Strait Finfish Fishery research projects
- 5.2. Research priorities

6. Management

- 6.1. Formalising Total Allowable Catches
- 6.2. Western line closure
- 6.3. Draft AFMA Finfish Fishery budget 2018/19
- 6.4. Traditional Inhabitant Boat Sector catch estimates

7. Future Management Priorities and Work Plans

8. Other Business

9. Date and venue for next meeting

Individuals seeking to attend the meeting as an observer must contact the Executive Officer – Andrew Trappett (andrew.trappett@afma.gov.au) beforehand.