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NOTICE FOR THE TASMANIAN SCALLOP FISHERY COMPRISING ACTIVITIES BY WAY OF FISHING FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES

I, ROBERT GOTT, Director- Marine Resources, Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment, pursuant to the delegated authority under Section 20(1) of the *Living Marine Resources Management Act 1995*, in accordance with the *Fisheries (Scallop) Rules 2010* (the Rules), hereby:

1. Determine under Rule 16(1)(a) and 16(1)(b) of the Rules, a specified area of State waters to be open to the commercial scallop fishery for the 2012 Open Season for commercial scallop dredging from 07:00am Friday 19 October 2012, in addition to the area so determined to be open by Public Notice published in State newspapers on 29 August 2012 and in Gazette No. 21 265 on 29 August 2012, being State waters within the following boundary but not including State waters within the East Coast Waters Shark Refuge Area north of the line of latitude 42° 22.50'S:
 - i. from latitude 42° 27.0000' S, longitude 148° 01.6615' E; to
 - ii. latitude 42° 26.3000' S, longitude 148° 02.0000' E; to
 - iii. latitude 42° 24.50' S; longitude 148° 00.70' E; to
 - iv. latitude 42° 20.70' S; longitude 148° 02.70' E; to
 - v. latitude 42° 18.3332' S; longitude 148° 02.70' E; to
 - vi. latitude 42° 13.8977' S; longitude 148° 15.0517' E; to
 - vii. latitude 42° 18.4153' S; longitude 148° 14.1650' E; to
 - viii. latitude 42° 27.0000' S; longitude 148° 14.1650' E; to
 - ix. latitude 42° 27.0000' S, longitude 148° 01.6615' E;
2. Determine under Rule 16(1)(a) of the Rules that the part the East Coast Waters Shark Refuge Area north of the line of latitude 42° 22.50'S within the area specified in clause 1 of this Public Notice, is not a specified open area to the commercial scallop fishery from 07:00am Friday 19 October 2012 for the remainder of the 2012 Open Season;

3. Determine under Rule 16(1)(a) of the Rules that the any part of the East Coast Waters Shark Refuge Area within the area specified in clause 1 of this Public Notice, is not a specified open area to the commercial scallop fishery from 1 November 2012 for the remainder of the 2012 Open Season;

Where:

“**2012 Open Season**” means the period of the open season for the commercial scallop season for 2012 determined by Public Notice published in State newspapers on 29 August 2012 and in Gazette No. 21 265 on 29 August 2012; and,

“**East Coast Waters Shark Refuge Area**” means the waters within 3 nautical miles of any part of the east coast of the State between Seaford Point and an imaginary straight line from Cape Bougainville to Cape Boullanger on Maria Island.

All coordinates in this notice are expressed by latitude and longitude by reference to the Geocentric Datum of Australia (GDA 94).

ROBERT GOTT Director- Marine Resources.

Dated the seventeenth day of October 2012.

Information

This Notice alters the open area for the Tasmanian Scallop Fishery for commercial fishing in the White Rock Area by extending the southern boundary two nautical miles further south, closing the northern third of the East Coast Waters Shark Refuge Area and opening the middle third of the East Coast Waters Shark Refuge Area, all other waters are closed. The arrangements are subject to change.

Fishers should be aware that the Tasmanian Scallop Fishermen's Association (TSFA) may have voluntary fishing restrictions for part of an area that is gazetted open for scallop fishing.

For further information please contact the Wild Fisheries Management Branch; Phone (03) 6233 6797

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