



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

Revocation of Accreditation of a Plan, Regime or Policy for the purposes of Part 13 Accreditation of a Plan, Regime or Policy for the purposes of Part 13

I, NIGEL ROUTH, Assistant Secretary, Marine Biodiversity Policy Branch, as Delegate of the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities:

- (a) revoke, under section 33(3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*, the accreditation of the management regime for the Queensland East Coast Otter Trawl Fishery dated 25 November 2010; and
- (b) being satisfied that:
 - (i) the management regime for the Queensland East Coast Otter Trawl Fishery, in force under the *Queensland Fisheries Act 1994*, *Queensland Fisheries Regulation 2008* and the *Queensland Fisheries (East Coast Trawl) Management Plan 2010* (the **ECOTF management regime**), requires persons engaged in fishing under the management regime to take all reasonable steps to ensure that members of listed threatened species, listed migratory species, cetaceans and listed marine species are not killed or injured as a result of the fishing; and
 - (ii) the fishery to which the management regime relates does not, or is not likely to, adversely affect:
 - (a) the survival or recovery in nature of any listed threatened species; or
 - (b) the conservation status of a listed migratory species, cetacean, or listed marine species or a population of that species;

accredit the ECOTF management regime under sections 208A, 222A, 245 and 265 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) for the purposes of Divisions 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively of Part 13 of the EPBC Act.

This accreditation is subjected to the following condition under section 303AA of the EPBC Act:

- 1. Taking into account:
 - the results of the Fisheries Research and Development Corporation project 2005/053 on reducing the impact of Queensland's trawl fisheries on sea snakes;
 - Fisheries Queensland's evaluation of the use of appropriate bycatch reduction devices by fishers targeting red spot king prawns; and
 - any other relevant expert information,by 1 June 2013, Fisheries Queensland to implement mandatory measures to mitigate the impacts of fishing on sea snakes in the East Coast Otter Trawl Fishery.

This instrument commences upon commencement of the *Queensland Fisheries (East Coast Trawl) Management Plan 2010*.

Dated this

17th

day of

December 2010

Delegate of the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and
Communities