



COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

DECLARATION OF AN APPROVED WILDLIFE TRADE OPERATION

I, NIGEL ROUTH, Assistant Secretary Marine Biodiversity Policy Branch, as Delegate of the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities, have considered in accordance with section 303FN of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) the application from Fisheries Queensland, public comments on the proposal as required under section 303FR, and advice on the ecological sustainability of the operation. I am satisfied on those matters specified in section 303FN of the EPBC Act. I hereby declare the operations for the harvesting of specimens that are, or are derived from, fish or invertebrates, other than specimens of species listed under Part 13 of the EPBC Act, taken in the Queensland River and Inshore Beam Trawl Fishery, as defined in the *Queensland Fisheries (East Coast Trawl) Management Plan 2010* in force under the *Queensland Fisheries Act 1994* and *Queensland Fisheries Regulation 2008*, to be an approved Wildlife Trade Operation, in accordance with subsection 303FN (2) and paragraph 303FN(10)(d), for the purposes of the EPBC Act.

Unless amended or revoked, this declaration:

- a) is valid until 15 February 2012; and
- b) is subject to the conditions applied under section 303FT specified in the Schedule (dated December 2010).

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

Under the *Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1975*, a person whose interests are affected by this decision may apply for a statement of reasons and for independent review of the decision. An application for a statement of reason may be made in writing to Department of the Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities within 28 days of the date of the declaration. An application for independent review may be made to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal on payment of the relevant fee within 28 days of the date of the declaration, or if reasons are sought, within 28 days of receipt of reasons. Further information may be obtained from the Director, Sustainable Fisheries Section.

SCHEDULE

Declaration of the Harvest Operations of the New Queensland River and Inshore Beam Trawl Fishery as an approved Wildlife Trade Operation, December 2010

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS (section 303FT)

Relating to the harvesting of fish specimens that are, or are derived from, fish or invertebrates, other than specimens of species listed under Part 13 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act), taken in the Queensland River and Inshore Beam Trawl Fishery (RIBTF):

1. Operation of the fishery will be carried out in accordance with the *Fisheries (East Coast Trawl) Management Plan 2010* in force under the *Queensland Fisheries Act 1994* and the *Queensland Fisheries Regulation 2008*.
2. Fisheries Queensland to inform the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities of any intended amendments to the River and Inshore Beam Trawl Fishery management arrangements that may affect the assessment of the fishery against the criteria on which *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* decisions are based.
3. Fisheries Queensland to produce and present reports to the department annually as per Appendix B to the *Guidelines for the Ecologically Sustainable Management of Fisheries - 2nd Edition*.
4. By 1 July 2009 Fisheries Queensland to:
 - a) finalise and implement the Performance Measurement System (PMS) for the East Coast Trawl Fishery in consultation with the Trawl Management Advisory Committee; and
 - b) ensure that the PMS incorporates performance measures, triggers and reference points that relate specifically to the RIBTF.

