



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  
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I, TONY BURKE, 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 Inshore Fin Fish Fishery dated 25 February 2009; and
- (b) being satisfied that:
  - (i) the management regime for the Queensland East Coast Inshore Fin Fish Fishery in force under the Queensland *Fisheries Act 1994* and the Queensland *Fisheries Regulation 2008* 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 management regime for the Queensland East Coast Inshore Fin Fish Fishery in force under the Queensland *Fisheries Act 1994* and the Queensland *Fisheries Regulation 2008* 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 subject to the following conditions under section 303AA of the EPBC Act:

1. Fisheries Queensland to:
  - continue to improve knowledge of the number and rate of interactions with species of conservation interest in the East Coast Inshore Fin Fish Fishery, including the recognition of important habitats and identification of locations, areas or regions with higher risk of interactions and/or mortalities occurring;
  - support relevant research into methods to reduce fishing related mortalities of species of conservation interest;
  - continue to work with industry and all relevant stakeholders to identify and implement appropriate gear selectivity and operational improvements and/or other management measures that minimise capture and mortality of species of conservation interest; and
  - in conjunction with relevant stakeholders develop a framework to enable implementation of measures to avoid interactions and/or reduce mortalities at an appropriate spatial scale.
2. Fisheries Queensland to implement appropriate management measures identified in Condition 1 to ensure that risks to species of conservation interest in the East Coast Inshore Fin Fish Fishery are minimised.

Dated this

23

day of

February

2012

Tony Burke

Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities