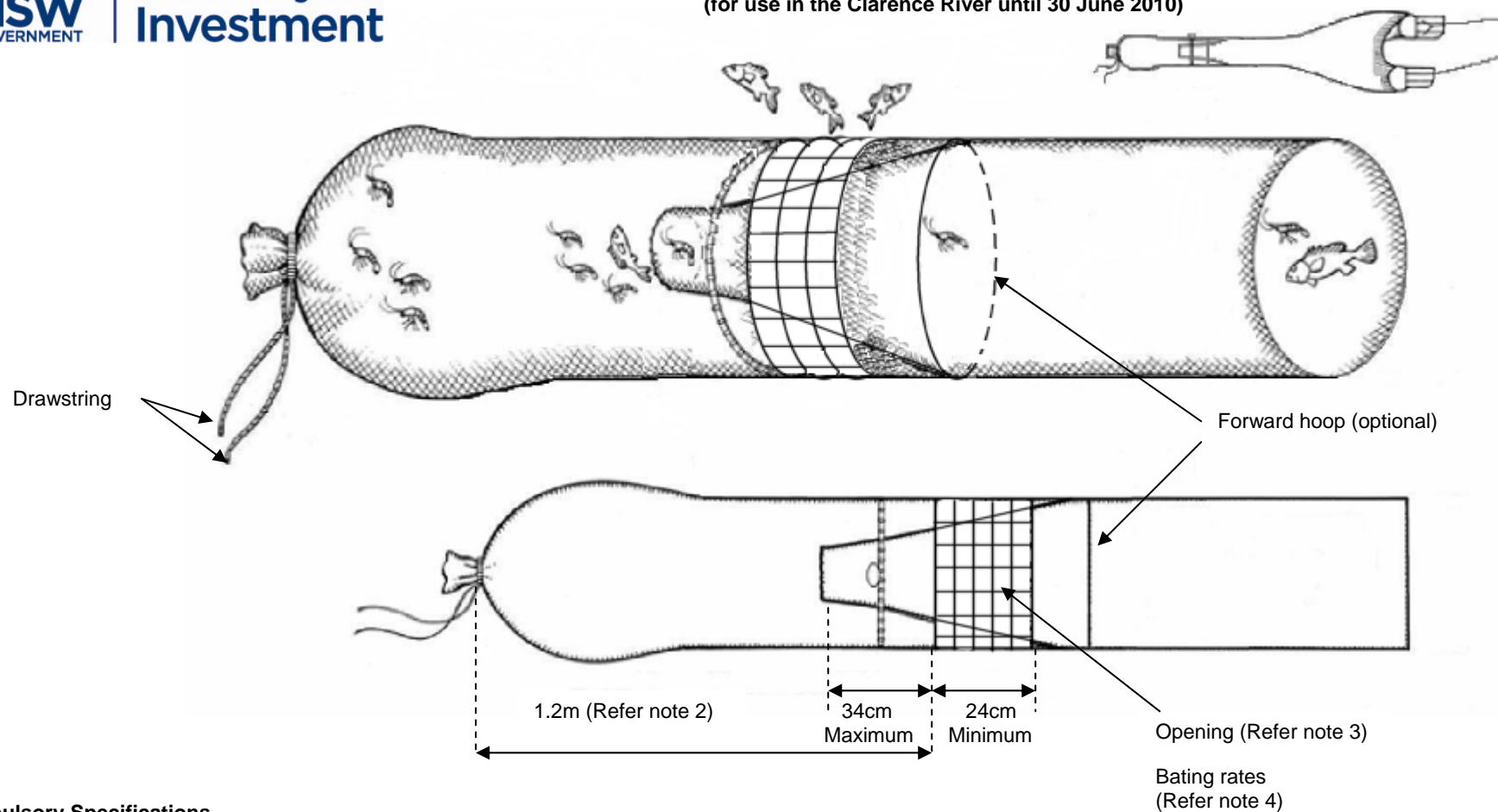




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NSW Estuary Prawn Trawl Fishery Radial Escape Bycatch Reduction Device (BRD) Specification

(for use in the Clarence River until 30 June 2010)



Compulsory Specifications

1. For use in the Clarence River only (not Hunter or Hawkesbury rivers).
2. Maximum distance from drawstring to rear of square-mesh panel opening 1.2m (stretched measurement when not in use).
3. Square-mesh panel opening must:
 - a. Extend the full circumference of the net;
 - b. Consist of minimum 80mm mesh hung square;
 - c. Extend at least 24cm forward.
4. Bating rates apply to forward and aft of panel: at least 4 points to each bar.
5. Aft of funnel must not extend greater than 34cm behind rear of square-mesh panel opening.
6. Funnel needs to comprise a minimum of 40-mm mesh and the leading edge hung at a ratio of 1:1 in the codend

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