

# Recreational Fishing Saltwater Trust Expenditure Committee (RFSTEC) meeting OUTCOMES

**Meeting Number:** 63      **Date:** 26 July 2022      **Time:** 9:00am – 3:45pm  
**Location:** Branksome Hotel, 60 Robey St, Mascot, Sydney  
**Invitees:** Bruce Schumacher AM (Chair), Paul Connellan (Region 1), Lisa Terry (Region 2), Geoff Shelton (Region 3), Karl Attenborough (Region 4), Michael Aubrey (Region 5), Anna Clark (Region 6), Ann Garard (Region 7), Micah Adams (Region 8), Cassie Price (OzFish), Adrian Wayne (AUF), Grahame Williams OAM (NSW GFA), Damian Kerves (AFTA), Peter Turnell (NSW DPI)

## 1. Chair's introduction and welcome

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting.

## 2. Apologies

Lisa Terry, Michael Aubrey, Adrian Wayne, Peter Turnell

## 3. Confirmation of outcomes from previous meeting

The draft outcomes of the 62<sup>nd</sup> RFSTEC meeting held on 2 February 2022 were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. **Moved Ann Garard, seconded Micah Adams, carried.**

## 4. Recreational Fishing Trust items

### a. Status of the saltwater Trust

The financial status of the Saltwater Trust was presented to members. Statistics and trends of license sales for the various license types were discussed.

### b. Review of new Freshwater grant applications

A total of 31 Saltwater Trust grant applications were received following a widely advertised call for applications released in May 2022. Funding recommendations with respect to each project will be forwarded to the Recreational Fishing NSW Advisory Council for consideration prior to submission to the Minister for approval.

### c. Recreational Fishing and Camping Facilities Program

A total of \$4.2 million was provided to DPI under the Commonwealth Government's recreational fishing and camping facilities program to administer and distribute grants to local councils for fishing and camping infrastructure projects. A total of 25 fishing, boating and camping infrastructure grants were recently approved for funding under the Commonwealth funded program.

## 5. Presentations

Dr Jamin Forbes, Strategic Partnership Manager presented FRDC priorities and discussed future collaboration opportunities between the FRDC and the Recreational Fishing Trusts across the fishing and aquaculture sectors.

DPI provided an update on DPI's management initiatives, in collaboration with Transport for NSW, RMS, Marine Area Command (Water Police), Fishcare volunteers and precinct managers, to ensure ongoing access to Sydney's ferry wharf network and Walsh Bay piers.

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