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FISHERIES MANAGEMENT Act 1994

Section 8 Notification –Emergency Fishing Closure

Ocean Waters Adjacent to the Clarence River

I, Renata Brooks, Deputy Director-General, with the delegated authority of the Minister for Primary Industries and the Director-General of the NSW Department of Primary Industries pursuant to sections 227 and 228 of the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* (“the Act”), do by this notification pursuant to section 8 of the Act, prohibit the taking of all species of fish by the methods of fishing specified in Column 1 of the Schedule to this notification, from the waters described opposite in Column 2 of that the Schedule, subject to the conditions specified opposite in Column 3 of the Schedule .

SCHEDULE

Column 1 Methods	Column 2 Waters	Column 3 Conditions
Hauling Net (general purpose), Garfish Net (hauling), Pilchard, Anchovy and Bait Net (hauling), Purse Seine Net and Otter Trawl Net (prawns) as prescribed by clauses 26, 29, 30, 31 and 38 respectively of the General Regulation	All ocean waters adjacent to the Clarence River bounded by a line commencing at a point at the mean high water mark at Angourie Point, (29°29.180'S, 153°22.200'E), then east 0.5 nautical miles to a point 29°29.180'S, 153°22.720E, then 0.7 nautical miles north to a point 29°26.480'S, 153°23.120E, then north to a point 29°25.600'S, 153°23.020E, then north to a point 29°22.400'S, 153°23.460E then west to a point at or near the mean high water mark at 29°22.400'S, 153°22.397'E, then generally south along the mean high water mark and across the eastern extremities of the Clarence River breakwaters back to the point of commencement.	For the purpose of sampling waters for juvenile mullocky, an endorsement holder in the Ocean Trawl Fishery with an Inshore Prawn Trawl Endorsement may, only as so directed by the Clarence River District Fisheries Officer, use an otter trawl net (prawns) in the waters closed under this notification

In this Schedule, "General Regulation" means the *Fisheries Management (General) Regulation 2002*.

In this Schedule, latitude and longitude coordinates are in WGS84 datum.

The provisions of this fishing closure in respect of endorsement holders in the Ocean Trawl and Ocean Hauling fisheries have effect despite any provisions in the *Fisheries Management (Ocean Trawl Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006* or the *Fisheries Management (Ocean Hauling Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006*.

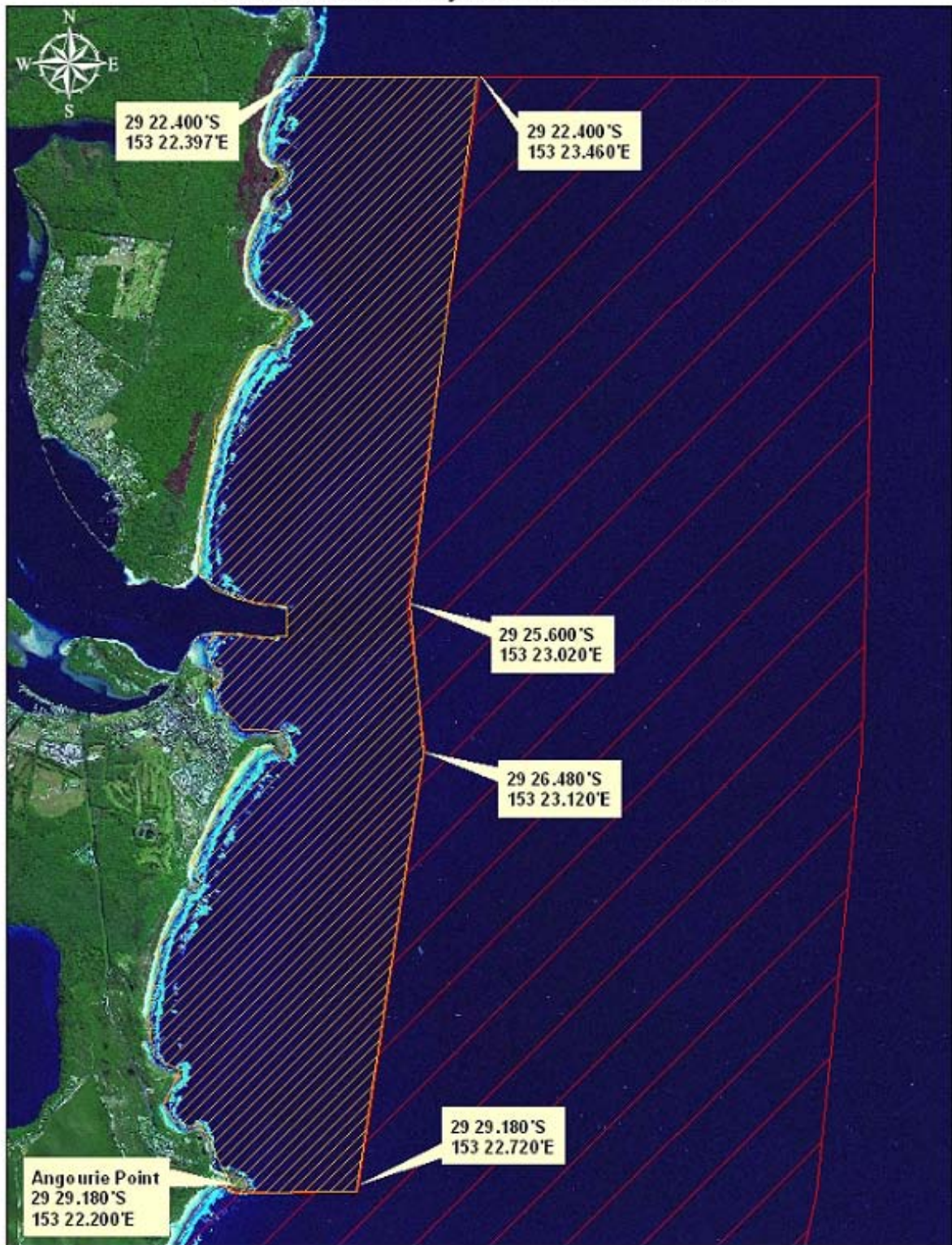
This fishing closure is effective from the date of publication of this notification until Friday 14 March 2008 unless sooner amended or revoked, noting that this notification may be amended or revoked by way of a special supplement in the Government Gazette on any week day.

Note: The purpose of this fishing closure is to deal with an environmental emergency, being the protection of juvenile mullocky displaced by recent flooding in the region.

Dated this 18th day of February 2008.

RENATA BROOKS,
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Nsw Department of Primary Industries

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Legend

- Existing Trawl Closure
- Emergency Fishing Closure

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