

MSC RE-ASSESSMENT OF THE LAKES AND COORONG FISHERY IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SEPARATING THE FISHERY ASSESSMENT

The Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) process for independently evaluating the South Australian Lakes and Coorong fishery has entered full re-assessment under the MSC standard under one assessment covering 4 units of certification (UoC). However during a recent meeting in Adelaide on the 12 January 2016 the decision was made to split the units into 2 separate assessments with different timelines (see Table 2 and 3 below).

Table 1: All four Units of Certification (UoC)

Four Units of Certification	
Species	Pipi (<i>Donax deltooides</i>), Golden Perch (callop) (<i>Macquaria ambigua</i>), Mulloway (<i>Argyrosomus hololepidotus</i>), Yellow-Eyed Mullet (<i>Aldrichetta forsteri</i>).
Geographical Area	Lakes and Coorong in South Australia
Methods of capture	Net (gill, drum, hauling) and rake
Management System	Input controls: limited entry, gear restrictions, Output controls: TACC for Pipi (<i>Donax deltooides</i>),
Client Group	Southern Fisherman's Association

First assessment: South Australian Lakes and Coorong pipi fishery

This assessment will include the following unit of certification.

Table 2: One Unit of Certification (UoC)

1. Unit of Certification	
Species	Pipi (<i>Donax deltooides</i>)
Geographical Area	Lakes and Coorong in South Australia
Methods of capture	Rake
Management System	Input controls: limited entry, gear restrictions, Output controls: TACC for Pipi (<i>Donax deltooides</i>),
Client Group	Southern Fisherman's Association

Timeline: it is expected that the revising and updating of the assessment will take approximately 4 months from signing a revised contract.

Second assessment: South Australian Lakes and Coorong finfish fishery

This assessment will include the following three units of certification.

Table 3: Three Units of Certification (UoC)

1. Unit of Certification	
Species	Golden Perch (callop) (<i>Macquaria ambigua</i>)
Geographical Area	Lakes and Coorong in South Australia
Methods of capture	Gillnet (%)
Management System	Input controls: limited entry, gear restrictions
Client Group	Southern Fisherman's Association
2. Units of Certification	
Species	Mulloway (<i>Argyrosomus hololepidotus</i>)
Geographical Area	Lakes and Coorong in South Australia
Methods of capture	Gillnet (80%), [Swinger net (15%)]
Management System	Input controls: limited entry, gear restrictions
Client Group	Southern Fisherman's Association
3. Unit of Certification	
Species	Yellow-eye Mullet (<i>Aldrichetta forsteri</i>)
Geographical Area	Lakes and Coorong in South Australia
Methods of capture	Gillnet (95%)
Management System	Input controls: limited entry, gear restrictions,
Client Group	Southern Fisherman's Association

Timeline: it is expected that the revising and updating of the assessment will take approximately 7 months from signing a revised contract.

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