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## FISHERIES MANAGEMENT ACT 1994

Section 8 Notification - Fishing Closure Hawkesbury River and Patonga Creek

I, Ian Macdonald, prohibit the taking of oysters in all waters of the Hawkesbury River and Patonga Creek except for movement into the Georges River. Oyster farming infrastructure must be cleaned and dried for 30 days before use in other estuaries.

The taking of oysters in all waters of the Hawkesbury River and Patonga Creek is prohibited. Movement of oysters from Hawkesbury River and Patonga Creek into the Georges River is permitted. Oysters may also be moved from Patonga Creek into Hawkesbury River. Oysters may not be moved from Hawkesbury River to Patonga Creek.

Depuration of oysters originating from Hawkesbury River and Patonga Creek is not permitted in other estuaries except in accordance with a protocol approved by Department of Primary Industries.

This prohibition will be effective for the period 19 July 2004 to 19 October 2004.

IAN MACDONALD, M.L.C., Minister for Primary Industries

Note: For the purposes of this notification

(1) The terms 'taking of oysters', and 'oyster farming infrastructure' do not include the taking of oysters destined for direct sale for human consumption (i.e. packaged, market grade oysters, consigned to a wholesaler or retailer). Nor does the term 'taking of oysters' include for the purpose of relocating and relaying the oysters within that estuary.