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Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

NOTICE OF DECISION

Fisheries Regulations 1998

I, Patrick McNamara, Minister for Agriculture and Resources, and Minister responsible for administration of the **Fisheries Act 1995**, give notice under section 12 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**, as follows:-

A Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) was prepared in relation to the proposed Fisheries Regulations 1998 and advertised inviting public comment. Fifty-nine submissions were received commenting on a number of issues relating to the RIS and the proposed Regulations. The main issues related to recreational netting, bag limits and size limits for the taking of different species of fish, proposed entitlements and conditions of access licences for the Gippsland Lakes and Lake Tyers fisheries, issues associated with the regulation of commercial abalone fishing and processing, and issues related to aquaculture licence conditions and eel licences.

After considering submissions I have decided that the proposed Fisheries Regulations 1998 should be made with amendments to regulations 105, 208, 210, 211, 220, 233, 234, 235, 301, 303, 304, 306, 307, 308, 309, 311, 312, 313, 314, 321, 323, 324, 327, 330, 335, 336, 501, 503, 507, 508, 511, 512, 520, 533, 534, 620, 627 and Schedule 2. Two new regulations and one new Schedule are proposed. New regulation 534 relates to the use of certain hand-held spears being an offence and new regulation 704 provides for the issue of recreational fishery licences on old forms. New Schedule 16 lists notifiable diseases.

Dated 11 March 1998.

PATRICK McNAMARA
Minister for Agriculture and Resources

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