



10 January 2019

Hon Mark Furner
Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries
GPO Box 46
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Minister

Re: Net Free Zones and the Great Sandy Marine Park

On behalf of the Queensland Seafood Industry Association (QSIA) I note government may be considering the introduction of a net free zone (NFZ) in the Great Sandy Marine Park (GSMP). The impact of the NFZs in central and north Queensland are still being felt today, almost 3 years after their introduction.

Can you confirm that the current Queensland government will not fund the introduction of a NFZ in the GSMP now, in the lead up to the GSMP review or as a policy position heading into the 2020 State election?

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence please contact Eric Perez, QSIA Chief Executive Officer on M: 0417 631 353 or E: eo@qsia.com.au

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Keith Harris', is written over a light blue background.

Keith Harris

President
Queensland Seafood Industry Association

1. Bernadette Ditchfield, Deputy Director General, Fisheries Queensland, Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.