

Hon Tim Whetstone MP

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development

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Recreational Fishers ‘front and centre’ in new advisory council

Recreational fishers have until the end of the week to provide feedback on the structure and function of the proposed Minister’s Recreational Fishing Advisory Council.

Under the State Government proposal every South Australian recreational fisher would be able to vote for who would represent them to the Minister.

The formation of a new Minister’s Recreational Fishing Advisory Council is an election commitment of the Marshall Liberal Government.

The Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development Tim Whetstone said he wanted to hear directly from recreational fishers regarding the process of formation, structure and function of the new body.

“Recreational fishing provides significant social and economic benefits to our state,” said Minister Whetstone.

“For some time there has been a need to enhance communication between recreational fishers and the South Australian Government, which is what this group aims to achieve.

“Once I consider feedback on the proposed process I will be seeking nominations from candidates interested in joining the Advisory Council.”

Membership of the Council would comprise a suitable representative from: FishinSA, RecFishCENTRAL, RecFish SA and the South Australian Fishing Alliance.

It would also include an additional five directly elected recreational fishing members, including at least one female member, one inland fisher and one person with knowledge of the retail sector. Every recreational fisher in South Australia would be eligible to vote for these representatives.

For further information on the proposal and to provide feedback visit:
www.yoursay.sa.gov.au/fishing.

Consultation closes on 21 September 2018.