

## Hon Tim Whetstone MP

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development

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### Voting now open for recreational fishing council

Voting is now open to elect the final five individual members of the new Minister's Recreational Fishing Advisory Council.

There are 42 candidates from all over the state up for election to fill the five positions. There are already four appointed members who represent key recreational fishing organisations.

Of the five individual member positions at least one will be female, one an inland fisher and at least one person representing the tackle sector.

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development Tim Whetstone said anyone interested in the future of the state's recreational fishing should cast their vote.

"There are 42 diverse candidates, from across the state, who have put their hand up to be considered for the Minister's Recreational Fishing Advisory Council," said Minister Whetstone.

"I commend those candidates and thank them for putting themselves forward as potential members of the Council. The formation of the Council is delivery of another election commitment for the Marshall Liberal Government and the elected members will provide feedback and advice to me on all recreational fishing issues and opportunities before the sector."

For the first time in South Australian Government history, the election will be conducted using Blockchain technology. Blockchain is an exciting emerging technology which is extremely secure and already used all over the world to perform valuable transactions.

Voting will be done using the preferential method and counted using the proportional representation model.

Minister Whetstone encourage recreational fishers to make their voices heard about who they want representing them.

"I now urge everyone who is interested in recreational fishing in South Australia to visit the YourSAy website, read the candidate profiles, and vote for their preferred candidates," said Minister Whetstone.

"Voting is open for a month – from midday 18 February to midday 18 March – and I look forward to being able to announce the successful appointees when the results are in."

For more information and to vote, visit [www.yourSAy.sa.gov.au/fishing](http://www.yourSAy.sa.gov.au/fishing)

The South Australian Government is collaborating with the Australian Davos Connection Forum to host an international Blockchain Summit in Adelaide from 18-20 March 2019 to explore the potential of Blockchain technology further. Details are available at: <https://www.adcblockchain.org/>