Sustainable Fisheries Strategy 2017–2027

Reforming fisheries management in Queensland. How we will get there?

Where we are in 2017

- Data gaps
- Poor engagement
- Slow decision-making
- Low economic benefits
- Some stocks under pressure
- No clear, predictable management actions when there are sustainability concerns

Where we want to be in 2027

- Improved monitoring and research, including new technologies
- Best practice fisheries management
- Effective engagement
- Clear harvest strategies with trigger points for action
- No overfished stocks
- Improved satisfaction and maximise economic benefits

Feedback

11,800 responses to Green Paper on fisheries management reform in 2016

We want:

- Better information
- Improved consultation
- More compliance
- Responsive decision-making

Snapshot of actions

- More monitoring
- Satellite tracking on all boats
- Harvest strategies for all fisheries
- 20 more compliance officers
- Cultural liaison officers
- Fishery-specific working groups
- Independent expert advice
- Regionally specific fishing rules
- New technologies, such as cameras on boats and apps
- Partnering with industry, universities and the community

“...A modern, responsive and consultative approach to fisheries management ensures fishing is a low risk to Queensland’s aquatic resources, and these are used in a way that optimises benefits to the community.”

Implementation

Kickstarting reforms

$20 million over 3 years

New government funding investing in:

- More compliance
- Other reforms
- Effective engagement
- More monitoring

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