

Notice of preliminary rights of priority – prawn nets (set pocket)

12 August 2025

CLARENCE RIVER (Region 2)

Notice of preliminary determination for rights of priority – prawn nets (set pocket)

I, John Staines, District Fisheries Officer Clarence, pursuant to clause 35H of the *Fisheries Management (Estuary General Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006* (the EG Plan), determine that for the period 1 August 2025 to 31 May 2026:

1. The maximum number of prawn nets (set pocket) that may be used in the waters of the Clarence River will be 133.
2. The net sites will be the sites and general locations specified in Schedule 1,
3. Prawn nets (set pocket) shall not be used in the Clarence River except during the following periods:
 - a. on weekends during the dark (that is, the period commencing 3 days after a full moon and ending 3 days after the next new moon)
 - b. from sunset to sunrise on weekdays between 1 August in any year and 31 May in the next year.
 - c. from sunrise to sunset on weekdays between 1 December and 31 May in the next year.

Pursuant to clause 35I of the EG Plan and the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines 2018*, I give notice that:

1. the nominated person to conduct the draw will be a volunteer agreed upon by the endorsement holders in attendance at the draw,
2. the draw will be conducted in accordance with the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines 2018*,
3. the determination draw will take place:

- a. at 10am on the date specified in Schedule 2 to this notice, being the day of the full moon or preceding working day if the full moon falls on a weekend or public holiday, and
 - b. at the Clarence River Fisheries Office carpark, 18A River Street, Maclean NSW 2463.
4. each fishing period is the period from full moon to the next full moon.
 5. each endorsement holder must be in attendance and present their commercial fishing licence and fishing business cards (or digital authorities) to the nominated person.

For the purposes of this preliminary determination, *sunset*, *sunrise* and *turn of the tide* for a day will occur at the times published by the Bureau of Meteorology at www.bom.gov.au.

J.Staines

John Staines

District Fisheries Officer

Clarence District

11 August 2025

Schedule 1 – Net sites – Clarence River

Site	Name	Lat	Long	Site	Name	Lat	Long
1	Bullring Ulmarra	29.6216	153.0332	68	Above Cement Wharf	29.4678	153.1771
2	Ulmarra Spit	29.6188	153.0286	69	Below Cement Wharf	29.4686	153.1795
3	Below Spit (same side)	29.6135	153.0295	70	Above Alf's	29.4691	153.1831
4	Below No.1	29.6101	153.0353	71	English Derrick	29.4680	153.1896
5	Below No.4 (HWY)	29.5998	153.0384	72	On bank inside rock	29.4656	153.1938

Site	Name	Lat	Long	Site	Name	Lat	Long
6	Fabridam	29.5822	153.0433	73	Rocks (inside)	29.4651	153.1933
7	Below No. 6 (HWY)	29.5760	153.0587	74	Rocks	29.4649	153.1932
8	Below No. 7 (HWY)	29.5719	153.0590	75	Rocks	29.4647	153.1931
9	Opposite No.8	29.5736	153.0621	76	Rocks	29.4636	153.1933
10	Dessy J. (HWY side above Cowper	29.5708	153.0696	77	Rocks	29.4634	153.1932
11	Opposite No.10	29.5672	153.0695	78	Rocks	29.4634	153.1930
12	Ramp Southgate	29.5637	153.0738	79	Rocks	29.4632	153.1929
13	Opposite No. 12	29.5633	153.0784	80	Rocks (outside)	29.4631	153.1927
14	Below No. 13	29.5594	153.0823	81	On the Station	29.4633	153.1889
15	Foley's Derrick	29.5560	153.0819	82	Opposite Slipway	29.4603	153.1914
16	Foley's Hole	29.5541	153.0901	83	Court House rocks	29.4596	153.1953
17	Keith Towells	29.5520	153.0989	84	Ashby Ferry	29.4570	153.1920
18	Top of Hielaman Is.	29.5482	153.0962	85	Top Pub	29.4564	153.1958
19	Middle Hielaman Is.	29.5434	153.1006	86	Derrick above Tommy Eggins	29.4531	153.1926

Site	Name	Lat	Long	Site	Name	Lat	Long
20	Opposite No. 19	29.5452	153.1040	87	Bottom Pub	29.4533	153.1974
21	Below No. 20	29.5416	153.1063	89	Co-op	29.4461	153.2040
22	Hand drag fence	29.5350	153.1044	90	Ashby Creek	29.4350	153.2014
23	Below No. 21	29.5359	153.1084	91	Callighan's	29.4440	153.2073
24	Below No. 23	29.5296	153.1091	92	Speed Limits	29.4423	153.2113
25	Below No. 24	29.5257	153.1097	93	Flood Drain	29.4407	153.2155
26	Below No. 25	29.5223	153.1105	94	Barthgates	29.4304	153.2049
27	Searles' wharf	29.5158	153.1114	95	Behind Uligundi	29.4302	153.2164
28	Below Silo	29.5128	153.1034	96	Gordon Laws	29.4388	153.2194
29	Top Gutter	29.5126	153.1125	96A		29.4338	153.2196
30	Above Sportsmans Creek	29.5075	153.1008	97	Above Black's Flat	29.4314	153.2202
31	Middle in Gutter	29.5074	153.1127	98	Matt Farlows'	29.4370	153.2232
32	Bottom in Gutter	29.5024	153.1116	99	Richard's	29.4352	153.2273
33	Lawrence Pub	29.5016	153.1010	100	Above Colin Mackay's	29.4337	153.2313
34	Nanna's Grubba	29.4973	153.1040	101	Black's Flat	29.4286	153.2348

Site	Name	Lat	Long	Site	Name	Lat	Long
35	Beacon Lawrence	29.4976	153.1068	102	Les's Wharf	29.4328	153.2364
35A		29.4951	153.1099	103	Above James Creek	29.4274	153.2413
36	Ferry House	29.4958	153.1147	104	Harwood Hall	29.4275	153.2429
37	Grubba's Wharf	29.4947	153.1179	105	Opposite Sugar Mill	29.4312	153.2478
38	Below the ferry	29.4933	153.1158	106	Below Mill	29.4259	153.2502
39	Aerial	29.4922	153.1182	107	2nd Below Mill	29.4251	153.2547
40	Above Drewy's	29.4937	153.1205	108	Above Smith's spit	29.4310	153.2545
41	Drewy's Wharf	29.4924	153.1237	109	3rd Below Mill	29.4248	153.2586
42	Opposite Drewy's	29.4902	153.1210	110	Above Slipway	29.4247	153.2625
43	Hebbie	29.4913	153.1259	111	Mouth Palmer's Channel	29.4300	153.2661
44	Bodda Neville	29.4857	153.1248	112	Above Schaeffer's Wharf	29.4292	153.2694
45	Below Hebbie	29.4884	153.1298	113	Below Sailing Club	29.4238	153.2703

Site	Name	Lat	Long	Site	Name	Lat	Long
46	Katy Thompson	29.4867	153.1317	114	Below Schaeffer's Derrick	29.4240	153.2772
47	Kings Is.	29.4796	153.1292	115	Above Snag Fence	29.4202	153.2808
48	Big Drain	29.4809	153.1357	116	Opposite Popeye's	29.4163	153.2790
49	Opposite Bottom King Is.	29.4744	153.1412	117	Below Popeye's	29.4166	153.2816
50	Below No. 49	29.4729	153.1425	118	Below C'van Park	29.4121	153.2832
51	Below No. 50	29.4695	153.1451	119	Opposite Top Turkey Creek	29.4092	153.2838
52	Greenie's Derrick	29.4623	153.1451	120	Next down	29.4059	153.2839
53	Tiger's Wharf	29.4644	153.1487	121	Next down	29.4032	153.2837
54	Below Greenie's Derrick	29.4583	153.1508	122	Davi's Wharf	29.4000	153.2833
55	Commerfords	29.4622	153.1513	123	Next down	29.3968	153.2832
56	Beacons	29.4557	153.1549	124	Searle's Prawn Farm	29.3941	153.2835
57	Gum Trees	29.4543	153.1586	125	Turkey Gutter	29.3936	153.2759
58	Neddies	29.4523	153.1617	126	Dorrington's Lane	29.3916	153.2837

Site	Name	Lat	Long	Site	Name	Lat	Long
59	Wheels	29.4502	153.1663	127	Below Roberts' Wharf	29.3836	153.2873
61	Ivan's Wharf	29.4594	153.1683	128	Keaton's Beacons	29.3781	153.2861
62	Pico's Spot	29.4582	153.1707	129	Above Kratz Caravan Park	29.3771	153.2932
63	Freeman's Derrick	29.4603	153.1717	130	Above Gun Club	29.3815	153.2902
64	Pine Tree	29.4630	153.1705	131	Below Kratz Caravan Park	29.3779	153.2969
65	Harvey's Hill	29.4633	153.1748	132	Next down	29.3794	153.2999
66	Above Golf turn off	29.4660	153.1737	133	Above Big Wharf	29.3807	153.3023
67	Derrick under Harvey's Hill Wharf	29.4642	153.1768				

Schedule 2 – Prawn net (set pocket) draw dates 2025/26

Draw dates – Clarence River	Full Moon
Friday 8 August 2025	No (Saturday 9 August)
Monday 8 September 2025	Yes
Tuesday 7 October 2025	Yes
Thursday 6 November 2025	Yes
Friday 5 December 2025	Yes

Draw dates – Clarence River	Full Moon
Friday 2 January 2026	No (Saturday 3 January 2026)
Monday 2 February 2026	Yes
Tuesday 3 March 2026	Yes
Thursday 2 April 2026	Yes
Friday 1 May 2026	No (Saturday 2 May 2026)

LAKE INNES/CATHIE CREEK (Region 3)

Notice of preliminary determination for rights of priority – prawn nets (set pocket)

I, Scott Anderson, District Fisheries Officer Hastings, pursuant to clause 35H of the *Fisheries Management (Estuary General Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006*, determine that for the period 20 August 2025 to 31 July 2026:

1. the maximum number of prawn nets (set pocket) that may be used in the waters of:
 - a. Lake Innes will be 7, and
 - b. Cathie Creek will be 7.
2. the net sites will be the sites and general locations specified in Schedule 1.
3. the setting times for prawn nets (set pocket) will be from:
 - a. sunset to sunrise for Lake Innes, and
 - b. 1 hour before high tide to sunrise for Cathie Creek.

Pursuant to clause 35I of the EG Plan and the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines (No. 2) 2018*, I give notice that:

1. the nominated person to conduct the determination draw will be Jeremy Hooper.
2. the draw will be conducted in accordance with the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines (No. 2) 2018*,
3. the draw will take place:
 - a. at **10am** on the date specified in Schedule 2 to this notice, being the day of the full moon or preceding working day if the full moon falls on a weekend or public holiday, and
 - b. at the Hastings District Fisheries Office, Unit 3, 22-24 Acacia Avenue, Port Macquarie NSW 2444.
4. each fishing period is the period from full moon to the next full moon.
5. each endorsement holder must be in attendance and present their commercial fishing licence and fishing business cards (or digital authorities) to the nominated person.

For the purposes of this preliminary determination, ***sunset***, ***sunrise*** and ***high tide*** for a day will occur at the times published by the Bureau of Meteorology at www.bom.gov.au.



Scott Anderson
District Fisheries Officer
Hastings District
12 August 2025

Schedule 1 – Net sites – Lake Innes and Cathie Creek

Lake Innes

Site	Location
1	31.5155° S 152.8578° E
2	31.5118° S 152.8595° E
3	31.5090° S 152.8632° E
4	31.5046° S 152.8618° E
5	31.5019° S 152.8591° E
6	31.4968° S 152.8617° E

Cathie Creek

Site	Location
1	31.5211° S 152.8615° E
2	31.5221° S 152.8622° E
3	31.5246° S 152.8632° E
4	31.5268° S 152.8652° E
5	31.5280° S 152.8628° E
6	31.5340° S 152.8611° E
7	31.5357° S 152.8544° E

Schedule 2 – Prawn net (set pocket) draw dates 2025/26

Draw dates - Lake Innes/Cathie Creek	Full Moon
Friday 8 August 2025	No (Saturday 9 August)
Monday 8 September 2025	Yes
Tuesday 7 October 2025	Yes
Thursday 6 November 2025	Yes
Friday 5 December 2025	Yes

Draw dates - Lake Innes/Cathie Creek	Full Moon
Friday 2 January 2026	No (Saturday 3 January 2026)
Monday 2 February 2026	Yes
Tuesday 3 March 2026	Yes
Thursday 2 April 2026	Yes
Friday 1 May 2026	No (Saturday 2 May 2026)
Friday 29 May 2026	No (Sunday 31 May 2026)
Tuesday 30 June 2026	Yes
Thursday 30 July 2026	Yes

CAMDEN HAVEN RIVER (Region 3)

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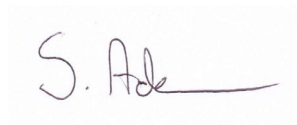
I, Scott Anderson, District Fisheries Officer Hastings, pursuant to clause 35H of the *Fisheries Management (Estuary General Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006*, determine that for the period 20 August 2025 to 31 July 2026:

1. the maximum number of prawn nets (set pocket) that may be used in the waters of the Camden Haven River will be 9.
2. the net sites will be the sites and general locations specified in Schedule 1.
3. the setting times for prawn nets (set pocket) will be from:
 - a. from the turn of the tide or sunset, whichever occurs first, and
 - b. to sunrise.

Pursuant to clause 35I of the EG Plan and the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines (No. 2) 2018*, I give notice that:

1. the nominated person to conduct the determination draw will be Chris Watson,
2. the draw will be conducted in accordance with the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines (No. 2) 2018*,
3. the draw will take place:
 - a. at **3pm** on the date specified in Schedule 2 to this notice, being the day of the full moon or preceding working day if the full moon falls on a weekend or public holiday, and
 - b. at the Laurieton Fishermen's Co-op, Mill Street Laurieton NSW 2443.
4. each fishing period is the period from full moon to the next full moon.
5. each endorsement holder must be in attendance and present their commercial fishing licence and fishing business cards (or digital authorities) to the nominated person.

For the purposes of this preliminary determination, ***sunset***, ***sunrise*** and ***turn of the tide*** for a day will occur at the times published by the Bureau of Meteorology at www.bom.gov.au.



Scott Anderson

District Fisheries Officer

Hastings District

12 August 2025

Schedule 1 – Net sites – Camden Haven River

Site	Location	Site	Location
1	31.6289° S 152.7843° E	6	31.6307° S 152.7961° E
2	31.6282° S 152.7872° E	7	31.6327° S 152.7963° E
3	31.6273° S 152.7897° E	8	31.6357° S 152.7959° E
4	31.6278° S 152.7925° E	9	31.6352° S 152.8021° E
5	31.6287° S 152.7937° E		

Schedule 2 – Prawn net (set pocket) draw dates 2025/26

Draw dates – Camden Haven River	Full Moon
Friday 8 August 2025	No (Saturday 9 August)
Monday 8 September 2025	Yes
Tuesday 7 October 2025	Yes
Thursday 6 November 2025	Yes
Friday 5 December 2025	Yes
Friday 2 January 2026	No (Saturday 3 January 2026)

Draw dates – Camden Haven River	Full Moon
Monday 2 February 2026	Yes
Tuesday 3 March 2026	Yes
Thursday 2 April 2026	Yes
Friday 1 May 2026	No (Saturday 2 May 2026)
Friday 29 May 2026	No (Sunday 31 May 2026)
Tuesday 30 June 2026	Yes
Thursday 30 July 2026	Yes

WALLIS LAKE AND SMITHS LAKE (Region 4)

Notice of preliminary determination for rights of priority – prawn nets (set pocket)

I, Luke Van Lawick, Acting District Fisheries Officer Wallis Lake, pursuant to clause 35H of the *Fisheries Management (Estuary General Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006*, determine that for the period 1 August 2025 to 31 May 2026:

1. the maximum number of prawn nets (set pocket) that may be used in the waters of:
 - a. Wallis Lake will be 23, and
 - b. Smiths Lake will be 12.
2. the net sites will be the sites and general locations specified in Schedules 1 and 2.
3. the setting times for prawn nets (set pocket) in the waters of Wallis Lake and Smiths Lake will be:
 - a. from the turn of the tide or sunset, whichever occurs first, and
 - b. to sunrise.

Pursuant to clause 35I of the EG Plan and the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines 2018*, I give notice that:

Wallis Lake:

1. the nominated person to conduct the draw will be Suzie McEnally or Greg Drysdale,
2. the draw will be conducted in accordance with the Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines 2018,
3. the determination draw will take place:
 - a. at 10am on the date specified in Schedule 3 to this notice, being the day of the full moon or preceding working day if the full moon falls on a weekend or public holiday, and
 - b. at the public reserve adjacent to the Wallis Lake Fisheries Office or
 - c. the Wallis Lake Fishermen's Cooperative, 5 Ray Street Tuncurry NSW 2428.

Smith's Lake:

1. the nominated person to conduct the draw will be Michael Cheers or Bradley Marshall.

2. the draw will be conducted in accordance with the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines 2018*,
3. the determination draw will take place:
 - a. at 10am on the date specified in Schedule 3 to this notice, being the day of the full moon or preceding working day if the full moon falls on a weekend or public holiday, and
 - b. at the Smiths Lake skate park opposite the Pacific Palms Bowling Club.
4. each fishing period is the period from full moon to the next full moon.
5. each endorsement holder must be in attendance and present their commercial fishing licence and fishing business cards (or digital authorities) to the nominated person.

For the purposes of this preliminary determination, ***sunset***, ***sunrise*** and ***turn of the tide*** on a day will occur at the times published by the Bureau of Meteorology at www.bom.gov.au.

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Luke Van Lawick

Acting District Fisheries Officer Wallis Lake District

12 August 2025

Schedule 1 – Net sites – Wallis Lake

Site	Location	Site	Location	Site	Location
1	32.2056° S 152.4926° E	9	32.1970° S 152.4933° E	17	32.1883° S 152.4853° E
2	32.2041° S 152.4926° E	10	32.1941° S 152.4816° E	18	32.1878° S 152.4895° E

Site	Location	Site	Location	Site	Location
3	32.2031° S 152.4925° E	11	32.1941° S 152.4833° E	19	32.1878° S 152.4920° E
4	32.2020° S 152.4926° E	12	32.1943° S 152.4851° E	20	32.1871° S 152.4916° E
5	32.2000° S 152.4935° E	13	32.1948° S 152.4891° E	21	32.1871° S 152.4970° E
6	32.1993° S 152.4938° E	14	32.1925° S 152.4920° E	22	32.2065° S 152.4945° E
7	32.1981° S 152.4938° E	15	32.1863° S 152.4760° E	23	32.1995° S 152.5011° E
8	32.1976° S 152.4938° E	16	32.1878° S 152.4800° E		

Schedule 2 – Net sites – Smiths Lake

Site	Name	Location	Site	Name	Location
1	Bens Point	32.3906° S 152.5008° E	7	Tarwhine	32.3957° S 152.5054° E
2	Lagoon	32.3755° S 152.5144° E	8	Cotton Creek	32.3962° S 152.4988° E
3	Marks Corner	32.3796° S 152.5179° E	10	Bullas	32.3742° S 152.4834° E
4	Barney's Corner	32.3887° S 152.5187° E	11	Mystery	32.3926° S 152.5087° E

Site	Name	Location	Site	Name	Location
5	Docktors Corner	32.3935° S 152.5174° E	12	Simons	32.3911° S 152.4960° E
6	Bull Island	32.3913° S 152.5137° E	13	Oyster Point	32.3825° S 152.5124° E

Schedule 3 – Prawn net (set pocket) draw dates 2025/2026

Draw dates – Wallis Lake and Smiths Lake	Full Moon
Friday 8 August 2025	No (Saturday 9 August)
Monday 8 September 2025	Yes
Tuesday 7 October 2025	Yes
Thursday 6 November 2025	Yes
Friday 5 December 2025	Yes
Friday 2 January 2026	No (Saturday 3 January 2026)
Monday 2 February 2026	Yes
Tuesday 3 March 2026	Yes
Thursday 2 April 2026	Yes
Friday 1 May 2026	No (Saturday 2 May 2026)
Friday 29 May 2026	No (Sunday 31 May 2026)

NOTE:

The whole of the waters of Smith's Lake together with its inlets, bays and tributaries, AND

The whole of the waters of Wallis Lake and its creeks and tributaries, inlets and bays, including Wallamba, Wang Wauk, Wallingat and Coolongolook Rivers, upstream of its confluence with the South Pacific Ocean, are CLOSED to the taking of any species of prawns for the period from June to August (both months inclusive) in each year.

MYALL RIVER (Region 4)

Notice of preliminary determination for rights of priority – prawn nets (set pocket)

I, Sam Taylor, Fisheries Officer, pursuant to clause 35H of the *Fisheries Management (Estuary General Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006*, determine that for the period 1 August 2025 to 3 July 2026:

1. the maximum number of prawn nets (set pocket) that may be used in the waters of the Myall River will be 15.
2. the net sites will be the sites and general locations specified in Schedule 1, noting that:
 - a. Tamboy front and backup are counted as one site for making of nominations, and
 - b. the former Black Oaks and Mother Taggs net sites are within the PSGLMP sanctuary zone and are excluded from the draw
3. the setting times for prawn nets (set pocket) in the Myall River will be from sunset to sunrise.

Pursuant to clause 35I of the EG Plan and the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines 2018*, I give notice that:

1. the nominated person to conduct the draw will be a committee made up of at least two of the following commercial fishers: James Drinkwater, Greg Tarrant, Joel Evans, Mitchell Malone, Joel Fidden or John Smith.
2. the draw will be conducted in accordance with the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines 2018*,
3. the determination draw will take place:
 - a. at 10am on the date specified in Schedule 2 to this notice, being the day of the full moon or preceding working day if the full moon falls on a weekend or public holiday, and
 - b. at the Tea Gardens Fisherman's Co-op, Marine Drive, Tea Gardens NSW 2324
4. each fishing period is the period from full moon to the next full moon.
5. each endorsement holder must be in attendance and present their commercial fishing licence and fishing business cards (or digital authorities) to the nominated person.

For the purposes of this preliminary determination, *sunset* and *sunrise* will occur at the times published by the Bureau of Meteorology at www.bom.gov.au.



Sam Taylor

District Fisheries Officer Port Stephens-Great Lakes Marine Park

11 August 2025

Schedule 1 – Net sites – Myall River

Site	Name	Location	Site	Name	Location
1	Tamboy (front)	32.5486° S 152.2854° E	8	Cherry Tree	32.5862° S 152.2379° E
1	Tamboy (backup)	32.5494° S 152.2854° E	9	Dark Corner	32.5934° S 152.2320° E
2	The House	32.5513° S 152.2862° E	10	Red Gum	32.5964° S 152.2214° E
3	The Reach	32.5549° S 152.2858° E	11	Leaning Te Tree	32.6075° S 152.2072° E
4	Brambles Green	32.5652° S 152.2822° E	12	Billy Barlow	32.6160° S 152.2025° E
5	Big Gum	32.5709° S 152.2766° E	16	Zeiningers	32.6373° S 152.1799° E
6	Top Grasswater	32.5775° S 152.2714° E	17	Dredge Creek	32.6486° S 152.1666° E
7	Bottom Grasswater	32.5813° S 152.2610° E			

Schedule 2 – Prawn net (set pocket) draw dates 2025-26

Draw dates – Myall Lakes	Full Moon
Friday 8 August 2025	No (Saturday 9 August)
Monday 8 September 2025	Yes
Tuesday 7 October 2025	Yes
Thursday 6 November 2025	Yes
Friday 5 December 2025	Yes
Friday 2 January 2026	No (Saturday 3 February 2026)
Monday 2 February 2026	Yes
Tuesday 3 March 2026	Yes
Thursday 2 April 2026	Yes
Friday 1 May 2026	No (Saturday 2 May 2026)
Friday 29 May 2026	No (Sunday 31 May 2026)
Tuesday 30 June 2026	Yes
Thursday 30 July 2026	Yes

TUGGERAH LAKE (Region 4)

Notice of preliminary determination for rights of priority – prawn nets (set pocket)

I, Benjamin Travis, District Fisheries Officer Central Coast, pursuant to clause 35H of the *Fisheries Management (Estuary General Share Management Plan) Regulation 2006* (the EG Plan), determine that for the period 1 August 2025 to 31 July 2026:

1. The maximum number of prawn nets (set pocket) that may be used in the waters of Tuggerah Lake will be 3.
2. The net sites will be shots numbered 1-3 in consecutive order from line drawn at the boat ramp on Marine Parade north to the southernmost corner of the carpark adjacent to the Karagi Point reserve, downstream to the confluence of the Tasman Sea,
3. The setting times for prawn nets (set pocket) in Tuggerah Lake will be:
 - a. from immediately before 5pm Australian Eastern Standard Time, or 6pm Australian Eastern Daylight Time (daylight saving time) when in force,
 - b. to sunrise.

Pursuant to clause 35I of the EG Plan and the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines 2018*, I give notice that:

6. The nominated person to conduct the draw will be Neville Patterson,
7. The draw will be conducted in accordance with the *Prawn Net (Set Pocket) Determination Guidelines 2018*,
8. The determination draw will take place:
 - a. at 11am on the date specified in Schedule 1 to this notice, being the day of the full moon or preceding working day if the full moon falls on a weekend or public holiday, and
 - b. at Tacoma Fisherman's Co-Operative, 77 Wolseley Ave, Tacoma NSW 2259
9. Each fishing period is the period from full moon to the next full moon.
10. Each endorsement holder must be in attendance and present their commercial fishing licence and fishing business cards (or digital authorities) to the nominated person.

For the purposes of this preliminary determination, *sunrise* on a day will occur at the time published by the Bureau of Meteorology at www.bom.gov.au.



Benjamin Travis

District Fisheries Officer

Central Coast District

12 August 2025

Schedule 1 – Prawn net (set pocket) draw dates 2025/26

Draw dates – Tuggerah Lake	Full Moon
Friday 8 August 2025	No (Saturday 9 August)
Monday 8 September 2025	Yes
Tuesday 7 October 2025	Yes
Thursday 6 November 2025	Yes
Friday 5 December 2025	Yes
Monday 2 February 2026	Yes
Tuesday 3 March 2026	Yes
Thursday 2 April 2026	Yes
Friday 1 May 2026	No (Saturday 2 May 2026)
Friday 29 May 2026	No (Sunday 31 May 2026)
Tuesday 30 June 2026	Yes
Thursday 30 July 2026	Yes