

The Hon Mark Furner MP Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and Minister for Rural Communities

Our ref: CTS 12115/24

1 William Street Brisbane 4000 GPO Box 46 Brisbane Queensland 4001 Australia Telephone +61 7 3719 7420 Email agriculture@ministerial.qld.gov.au

1 July 2024

Mr Cameron MacMillan
Chief Executive Officer
Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority
cameron.macmillan@qrida.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr MacMillan

I am writing to you to extend the closing date of the Fisheries Structural Adjustment Scheme (the Scheme) – Stage 2 that was offered in response to the closure of certain fisheries in the Great Barrier Reef region, changes to the Great Sandy Marine Park zoning plan and the introduction of new gillnet free areas in the Gulf of Carpentaria.

I have been informed that a considerable number of affected commercial fishers will require more time in which to apply for assistance under the Scheme and that an extension of the closing date from 30 June 2024 will be necessary for these commercial fishers.

In accordance with Section 33 of Schedule 58 of the Rural and Regional Adjustment Regulation 2011, I am extending the closing date for receipt of applications for the Fisheries Structural Adjustment Scheme – Stage 2 to 31 July 2024.

In compliance with the requirements of Section 33 of Schedule 58 of the Rural and Regional Adjustment Regulation 2011, would you please organise for this letter (as an extension notice) to be uploaded to the Queensland Rural and Industry Development website.

If you require further information, please contact Dr John Kung, Principal Fisheries Manager, Fisheries Management, Fisheries Queensland in the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries on 0467 845 221 or email at john.kung@daf.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

MARK FURNER MP

Mfumer.

Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries and Minister for Rural Communities