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RECREATIONAL FISHERS MEET TO DISCUSS PROPOSED FRASER ISLAND BIO -REGION

TIN CAN BAY COUNTRY CLUB
THURSDAY 13th MAY AT 7.30 PM

Sunfish Fraser Coast will be holding a public meeting on Thursday the 13th of May to discuss the Federal Government's marine bio regional planning program – in particular the proposed FRASER AREA FOR FURTHER ASSESSMENT.

The proposed Fraser area bio-region offshore from Rainbow Beach covers 13,042 km² of water from approx Double island point in the South to the wreck of the Maheno in the North. The meeting will be held at the TIN CAN BAY COUNTRY CLUB ON 13TH MAY COMMENCING AT 7 PM

Scott Mitchell Chairman of Sunfish Fraser Coast said the proposed zone could have serious implications for all recreational fishers , offshore charter operators and the commercial sector who use this important area.

The purpose of the meeting is to outline the proposal, but more importantly gain the views of the recreational fishers, charter operators, tackle industry marine suppliers fishing guides and others who use the area on the size & importance of this fishery. Identifying the areas used and the ramifications to the local communities if any further access to fishing is lost due to this proposal.

Scott went on to say that "any further restrictions to fishing access in this region will have a severe economic impact on the surrounding local communities". We need to work together on this issue and present a strong case to the authorities to get the best deal possible.

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