Public Notice

Partial Revocation Proposal – Bowling Green Bay declared Fish Habitat Area

AIMS, is inviting comment on a proposal to revoke a 45.4-hectare area from the Bowling Green Bay declared Fish Habitat Area representing less than 0.07% of the declared area, to allow progression of future maintenance and improvement works to the existing AIMS Harbour infrastructure at Chunda Bay/ Cape Ferguson (which predates the declaration of the FHA) to support future scientific activities.

The Bowling Green Bay declared Fish habitat Area is located between Cape Bowling Green and Cape Cleveland. The proposed revocation area is around Cape Ferguson and within the AIMS Scientific Zone. There is no public access to the AIMS scientific zone.

Fish Habitat Areas are declared and managed under the provisions of the *Fisheries Act 1994* to protect areas of high-quality fish habitats that contribute to sustaining Queensland's fish stocks and fisheries. The management is focused on protecting these areas from development-based impacts, while allowing for the continued community use and enjoyment of the areas. Activities such as legal recreational, commercial and traditional fishing and boating are not regulated by Fish Habitat Area management.

An information package on the revocation proposal, including a plan of the proposed revocation area and details on how to provide a submission on the proposal, can be obtained from;



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Submissions close on 20 July 2025

Feedback received through this consultation process will be considered for incorporation into a Declared Fish Habitat Area Revocation Assessment Study which will be submitted to the Department of Primary Industries to inform final assessment of the revocation proposal.

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