

Mr Travis Dowling  
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### **Fisheries Notice to ban the use of opera house nets in Victoria**

Dear Mr Dowling,

Thank you for the Victorian Fishing Authorities continued support of an initiative that will not only prevent the unnecessary death of countless numbers of native aquatic fauna, but secure the long term social licence of yabby fishing in Victoria.

We are extremely pleased with the success of the yabby net swap program, and look forward to working with the VFA into the future to ensure anglers are properly educated on regulations, and that ongoing compliance is maintained.

VRFish fully endorses the interim measure of issuing a Fisheries Notice to implement the ban on the use of opera house nets commencing 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019.

Yours sincerely,



Rob Loats  
Chair  
Victorian Recreational Fishing Peak Body

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**Let's make fishing  
better, for everyone.**