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Dear Amelia,

VRFISH RESPONSE TO THE DRAFT FISHERIES (VICTORIAN PIFI) NOTICE 2018

Thank you for providing VRFish the opportunity to comment on the proposed Fisheries (Victorian Pifi) Notice 2019 ("Pifi Fisheries Notice") on behalf of Victoria's recreational fishing community.

VRFish continues to support the Fishery Notice and the pifi fishery transitioning to formal management under the Victorian Pifi Management Plan. Supply of pifis for bait is important to the recreational fishing sector. Determination of catch limits should be informed by scientific evidence such as biomass estimates.

With the review of the Fisheries Regulations 2009 ("the Regulations") underway, VRFish would expect, based on the principles of good governance and transparency, that the Pifi Fisheries Notice be transitioned into regulation.

Yours sincerely,



Rob Loats
Chair
Victorian Recreational Fishing Peak Body

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better, for everyone.**