

Hi Kylie,

I am writing on behalf of Danny Kent and myself.

Why has the VFA and the Victorian Government decided to apply zero catch of King George Whiting and Calamari after previously proposing 3,000kg and 2,000kg respectively to each license holder.

This was agreed to and signed off on by the Licence holders.

If the change in catch limits was based on commercial and scientific advice , may we be forwarded that advice.

I refer to VFA letter to Licence holders 16/7/21. The first two paragraphs indicate the VFA commits to the ongoing supply of King George Whiting and Calamari from these Licence holders.

The Victorian public, the major stakeholder in this fishery, have not been considered in the latest proposal.

The public have a right to supply of the major species from these existing licences.

I am hearing second hand about 30 commercial hook licenses that will be targeting King George Whiting and Calamari. Is there any truth to this? I would like all information on what is being proposed for example total allowable catch, fees, do there boat have to be in survey and do there have to be registered with Primesafe.....??

What is being proposed for the post 2022 fishery is not what we were told to our faces.

Words can't describe the feelings that are going through all of us right now.

We are good family people who deserve the respect of at least being told to our faces why you are doing this?

I have been force out of my job, forced to sell my home for less than it's worth and now the state that I have lived in for 34 years because of the ridiculous government mandates. And on top of all that you blind side all of us at the eleventh hour.

Why?

Regards

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