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Dear Travis,

Re: VRFish Support for DRAFT FISHERIES (SPIDER CRAB) NOTICE 2025

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposal to continue the reduced recreational catch and possession limit for spider crabs and for a further 12 months.

VRFish agrees that the series of Spider Crab Fisheries Notices have been successful in ensuring a balance between fishing, conservation and tourism values, and with the combined State Government agency and VRFish education campaigns have improved recreational fishing stewardship of this important species.

VRFish fully supports the remaking of this Fisheries Notice as a procedural requirement to maintain the reduced catch limit.

Should you require further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,



Ben Scullin
Executive Officer

16th January 2025

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better, for everyone.**