**RFGWG Meeting #38 of 3 April 2019**

**Recreational Fishing Grants Working Group Meeting #38**

**Location: 1 Spring Street Melbourne**

**Chairperson's Summary**

This was the 38th meeting of the Recreational Fishing Grants Working Group.

Key items discussed included:

* Review and confirmation of assessments of 2018/19 RFGP Commissioning Grant applications.
* Review and confirmation of assessments of 2018/19 RFGP Large grant applications.
* Update on recent small grant applications
* Provision of continued funding for the Small Grants Program

**Review and confirmation of assessments of 2018/19 RFGP Commissioning grant applications**

The RFGWG confirmed their support for the following two commissioning bids that were received in this round:

* $166,000 for Informing sustainable management and optimisation of Victoria’s wild catch marine and estuarine recreational fisheries.
* $300,000 for Communication and Compliance Products.

**Review and confirmation of assessments of 2018/19 RFGP Large grant applications**

Following further deliberations, the Working Group agreed to recommend 10 large grant applications for a total amount of $648,791.64.

**Update on recent small grant applications**

The Working Group were provided a with a summary on recent applications and thanked for their efforts in getting assessments submitted promptly.

**Provision of continued funding for the Small Grants Program**

The Working Group approved a new allocation of $200,000 from the RFL Trust Account to fund the Small Grants Program across the next two financial years.

**Next meeting:** TBC

David Grisold

Chairperson

Recreational Fishing Grants Working Group