

**DETERMINATION BY THE MINISTER FOR FISHERIES ON THE PEARL OYSTER
(PINCTADA MAXIMA) RESOURCE ALLOCATION**

Integrated Fisheries Allocation Advisory Committee Recommendations	Minister for Fisheries' position
<p>Recommendation 1 The allocation of the pearl oyster fishery should cover the <i>Pinctada maxima</i> fishery in the area of the fishery covered by the <i>Pearling Act, 1990</i> (North West Cape to the Northern Territory Border).</p>	<p>Supported, with the allocation of the <i>Pinctada maxima</i> pearl oyster resource to include all WA waters as defined under section 5 of the <i>Aquatic Resources Management Act 2016</i> (ARMA).</p>
<p>Recommendation 2 Customary fishing should continue in accordance with existing customary fishing rights and no specific allocation should be made.</p>	<p>Supported, in accordance with the ARMA, a quantity will be available for customary use.</p>
<p>Recommendation 3 There should be no allocation for the recreational sector.</p>	<p>Supported.</p>
<p>Recommendation 4 The total allowable catch of the <i>Pinctada maxima</i> resource should be allocated to the commercial sector.</p>	<p>Supported.</p>
<p>Recommendation 5 There should be specific policy provisions developed to manage the incidental take of <i>Pinctada maxima</i> by the public.</p>	<p>Supported, the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development to develop requirements to provide for the incidental take of dead beach strewn pearl oyster shell by the public.</p>



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 Date