

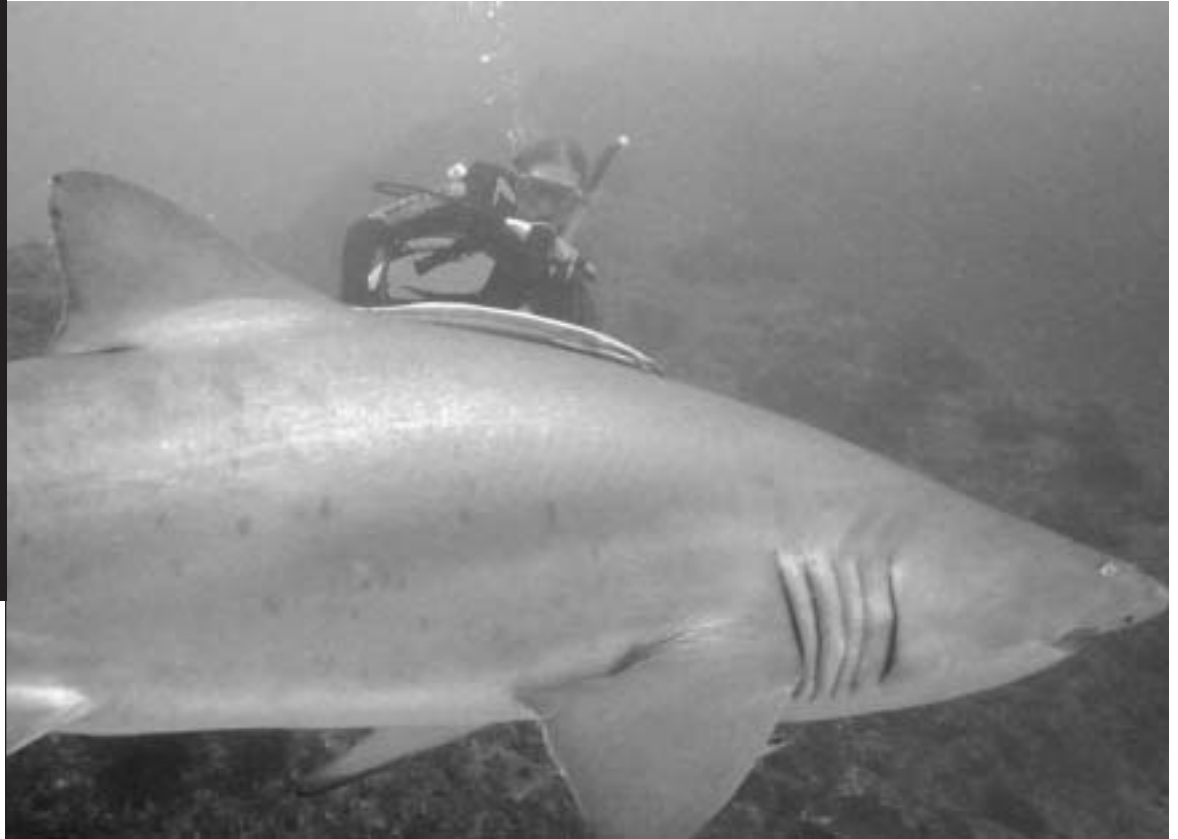
# Grey nurse shark

Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) and  
Draft Public Benefit Test (PBT)

October 2003

**Queensland Fisheries Service must receive this  
response form by 5 pm, 17 November, 2003**

**Response form**



**Queensland Government**

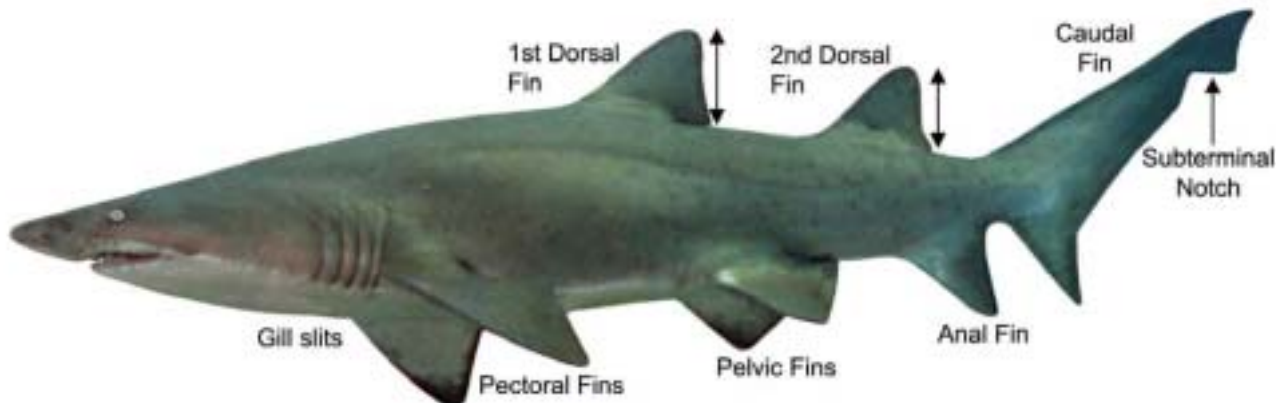
Department of **Primary Industries**  
**Environmental Protection Agency**

## We need your help

**With only 300 to 500 left along the Queensland-NSW coastline, grey nurse sharks are critically endangered and, without protection from key threats, could face extinction within our lifetime.**

\* Please retain this page for future reference and return the completed RIS response form on the following pages to the QFS

**How to identify a grey nurse shark (picture by D. Harasti ©):**



**If you catch a grey nurse shark that is dead, please retain the body and immediately contact the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (QPWS) duty ranger on page: 3836 3586, or the Queensland marine stranding hotline on 1300 360 898.**

**If you catch a grey nurse shark that is alive, please release it as soon as possible.**

If possible, please take photos of the sharks, regardless of quality, to assist in our studies on monitoring the grey nurse shark population and their migration along the east coast.

**If you catch or see a grey nurse shark please record the following information and return it (with a photo if available) to QPWS as soon as possible (address below)**

<b>Name:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Phone &amp; e-mail:</b>	
<b>Site name/description:</b>	<b>GPS coordinates:</b>
<b>Date:</b>	<b>Time:</b>
<b>Depth of capture/sighting (if applicable):</b>	<b>Water temperature (if known):</b>
<b>Tackle &amp; bait used (if applicable):</b>	

Gender	<b>&lt; 2 m</b>	<b>2-3 m</b>	<b>&gt;3 m</b>	<b>Tag: Colour &amp; number or unknown (U)</b>
<b>Male</b>				
<b>Female</b>				
<b>Unknown</b>				
<b>Special Observations</b>				

Thank you for your help in protecting the grey nurse shark.

**Return to Carley Bansemer at: Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service  
Moreton Bay District Office  
PO Box 402  
CLEVELAND QLD 4163  
Phone: (07) 3821 9000 – Fax (07) 3821 9001  
E-mail: [carley.bansemer@epa.qld.gov.au](mailto:carley.bansemer@epa.qld.gov.au)**

**HAVE YOUR SAY**

- This response form can only be used in conjunction with the attached Regulatory Impact Statement/ Draft Public Benefit Test (RIS/PBT), which contains the detail of the proposed amendments and alternatives.
- Your response on this particular form enables us to undertake a valid statistical analysis.
- Petitions and form letters are often impossible to include in a statistical summary of RIS/PBT responses.
- Positive and negative feedback is equally important.
- You do not need to provide a response on all the proposals. Additional sheets may be added if you need more space.
- All comments will be used in the development of a final position for each proposal.
- Copies of the RIS/PBT and this response form are available at:

[www.dpi.qld.gov.au/fishweb](http://www.dpi.qld.gov.au/fishweb)

**Submitting your response:**

**Mail to:**

Grey Nurse Shark Joint RIS/PBT  
 Queensland Fisheries Service  
 Department of Primary Industries  
 GPO Box 46  
 Brisbane Qld 4001

**Fax:**

(07) 3225 1823

**Hand deliver to:**

Level 2  
 80 Ann Street  
 BRISBANE QLD

**Email:**

[greynursesharks@dpi.qld.gov.au](mailto:greynursesharks@dpi.qld.gov.au)

**Grey Nurse Shark  
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**Response Form**

**Queensland Fisheries Service  
 must receive responses by:  
 (5pm, 17 November 2003)**

**Your details**

Mr Mrs Ms Other (please circle)

Family name:

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Given name:

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**Nature of submission**

(Please circle one category only)

Individual                      Group

(Please specify group)

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**Please circle the category which best describes your interest.**

Commercial fisher    Recreational fisher

Indigenous fisher    Charter boat operator

Conservationist      Tackle and bait supplier

Diver                      Other (specify)

**Section A**    **Nature conservation legislation** (refers to section 8.1 in RIS/PBT)

**Question 1**    **Do you support or not support Proposal One (see section 8.1 in RIS/PBT)?**

- Support (go to question 2)     Don't support (go to question 2)     Don't know/no comment (go to question 2)

Comments:

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**Question 2**    **Do you support or not support the development of a conservation plan for the species (see section 8.1 in RIS/PBT)?**

- Support (go to question 3a)     Don't support (go to question 3a)     Don't know/no comment (go to question 3a)

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**Section B**    **Proposed areas for closures**

**Question 3a**    **Indicate whether you support or do not support a whole of year or a seasonal\* closure to minimise FISHING impacts on grey nurse sharks (see sections 7.2 and 7.3 in RIS/PBT)?**

You are asked to comment on the actual size of the closure in Question 4. \* A seasonal closure means no diving between March to December inclusive (see section 7.3 in RIS/PBT)

- Support annual (go to question 3b)     Support seasonal (go to question 3b)     Don't support either (go to question 3b)  
 Don't know/no comment (go to question 3b)

Comments:

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**Question 3b**    **Do you support or not support the concept of having an annual or seasonal\* closure to minimise DIVING impacts on grey nurse sharks (see sections 7.2 and 7.3 in RIS/PBT)?** You are asked to comment on the actual size of the closure in Question 4. \* A 'seasonal closure' means no fishing between March to December inclusive (see section 7.3 in RIS/PBT)

- Support annual (go to question 4)     Support seasonal (go to question 4)     Don't support either (go to question 4)  
 Don't know/no comment (go to question 4)

Comments:

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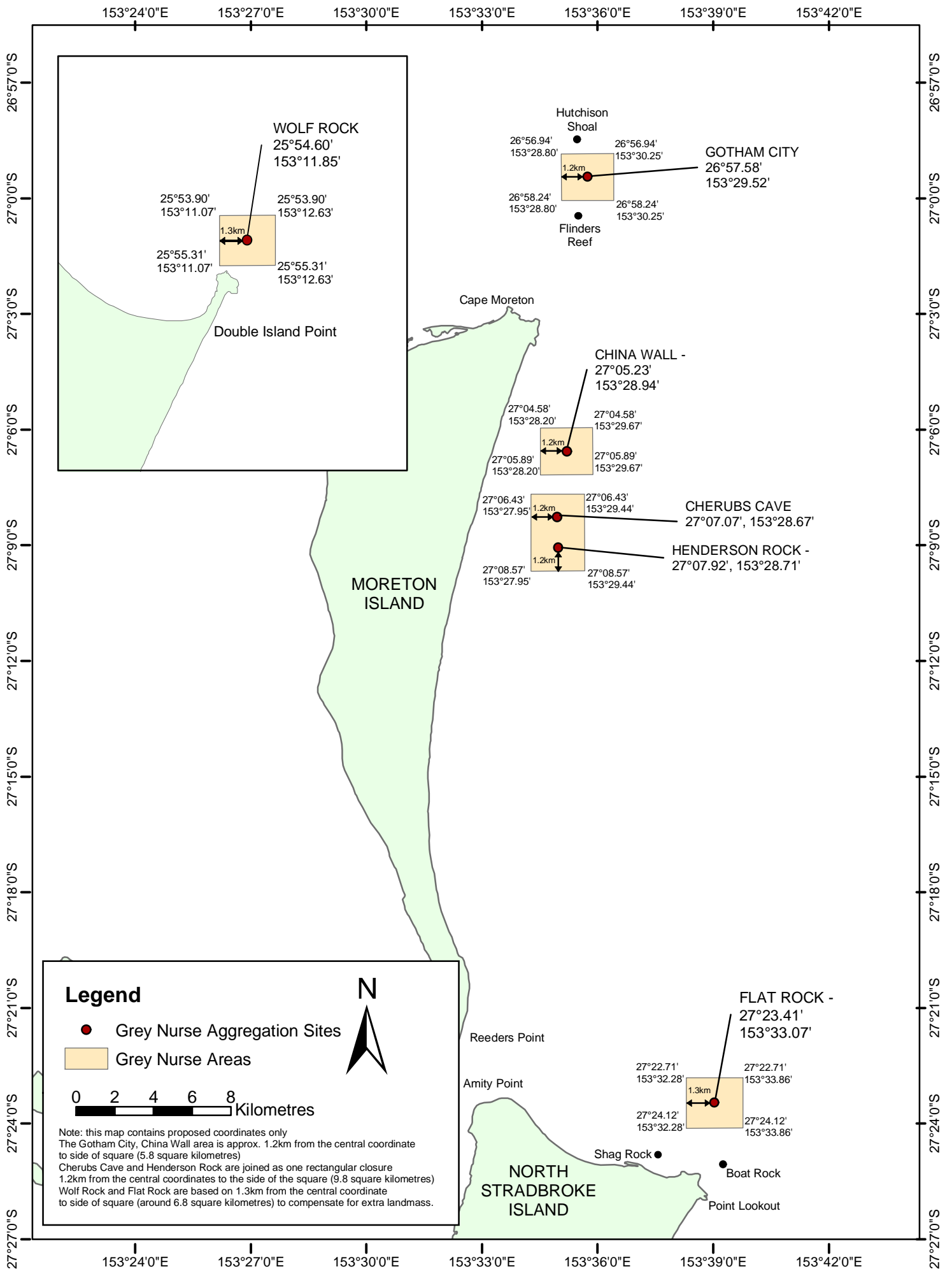
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**Question 4**    **If you support area closures, do you support or not support all of the distances proposed in the map below?** Questions about the types of fishing and diving activities that should be allowed in the areas are asked in sections C and D.

- Support (go to question 6)     Don't support (go to question 5)     Don't know/no comment (go to question 6)

(There is space to provide comments for this question on page 6)



Comments (from question 4):

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**Question 5** If you do not support the proposed distances in the map but do support having an area closure, indicate which distance you would support. Questions about the types of fishing and diving activities that should be allowed in the areas are asked in sections C and D. See section 7.2 in RIS/PBT for discussion.

	Square area:	Round area:	Round area:	
Flat Rock	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.2 km	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5 km	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 km	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)
Henderson Rock/ Cherubs Cave	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.2 km	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5 km	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 km	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)
China Wall	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.2 km	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5 km	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 km	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)
Gotham City	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.2 km	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5 km	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 km	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)
Wolf Rock	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.2 km (5.7km <sup>2</sup> )	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5 km (7.1km <sup>2</sup> )	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 km (3.1km <sup>2</sup> )	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)

\* The distances specified are from the central coordinate of the structure to the outside of the square or circle.

Please comment on matters including whether you think a square or circular closure is easier to use, whether there should be different distances for different activities (fishing and/or diving).

Comments:

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### Section C Fishing activities

**Question 6** Do you support or not support Proposal Two (see section 8.2 the RIS/PBT)?

- Support (go to question 8)       Don't support (go to question 7)       Don't know/no comment (go to question 8)

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**Section D Diving activities**

**Question 8 Do you support or not support Proposal Three (see section 8.3 the RIS/PBT)?**

Support (go to question 10)  don't support (go to question 9)  Don't know/no comment (go to question 10)

Comments:

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**Question 9 If you do not support proposal three, indicate which diving alternative you support for each aggregation site (see section 10 of the RIS/PBT).**

In this section, circle the number from the list of alternatives outlined in section 10 in the RIS/PBT that you would like to see allowed in the closure area you supported in section B above.

**List of diving alternatives:**

- 1. Prohibit diving** see 10.1 RIS/PBT
- 2. Confine diving** see 10.2 RIS/PBT
- 3. Diving with permit** see 10.3 RIS/PBT
- 4. Voluntary code of conduct** see 10.4 RIS/PBT
- 5. Other** specify in comment section

Flat Rock (circle number)	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Henderson Rock/ Cherubs Cave (circle number)	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
China Wall (circle number)	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Gotham City (circle number)	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Wolf Rock (circle number)	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>

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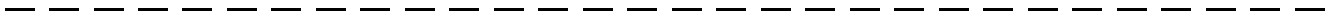
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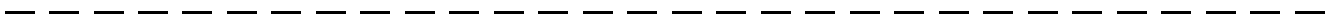
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Please fold all the sheets of the completed response form as indicated below. Once folded, tape edges together. Place stamp where indicated, and post. Allow posting time to be sure the Queensland Fisheries Service receives the response by 5pm on Monday 17 November 2003.

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## FOLD 2



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Department of Primary Industries  
GPO Box 46  
**BRISBANE, Qld 4001**

## FOLD 3

