

# SAVE OUR FISH STOCKS

## Protect Your Fishing Future

**To all angler's and members of the public concerned about Western Australian Marine Resource:**

### **DO YOU REALIZE...**

- There is a gillnet fishery operating on our South Coast with boats carrying nets measured in kilometres.
- This fishery has no limits to quantity of fish it can harvest provided the fish are not undersized or a protected species. How do you discriminate with a net?
- In the last recording period 2009/2010 in some areas off the South Coast there has been an increase of more than 200% of scale fish caught. This is in a time where most other fisheries are pulling back due to sustainability concerns.
- Do you know what the drop out rate (fish that fall out dead from the nets during retrieval) is? No we don't either and neither do the Commercial fishers or the Fisheries Department, yet they allow this ridiculous indiscriminate fishing method to continue.

**To Norman Moore & Department of Fisheries:**

### **PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY...**

- Boats in Albany, Bunbury and Mandurah have to travel up to twenty miles offshore to catch a reasonable feed of fish, while Commercial gillnets are set a stone throw from the shore, it should be vice versa.
- Why they allow the continued use of gillnets in estuaries and river systems. These are our nurseries and future fish stocks.

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Representatives of Recreational Anglers on the South and West Coast are calling on the minister of fisheries Norman Moore and the Department of Fisheries to ban the gill nets in these waters. To achieve true sustainability of fish stocks, wet lining must be promoted to supply fish to the public.

To protect your fishing future we urge all Recreational Anglers to fill in and forward the cut out coupon to the named address, this is in support of a current petition.

POST TO: Jack Jennings, PO Box 131, Walpole WA 6398

TO: Protect Our Fish Resources

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ Post Code \_\_\_\_\_

I REQUEST THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES NORMAN MOORE TO BAN GILL NETS IN ALL OPEN & CLOSED WATERS.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_