



The Hon Michelle Lensink MLC
Member of the Legislative Council
Parliament House
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Dear Ms Lensink

Determination under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* received by the Office of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development, Minister for Forest Industries on 9 August 2023 requesting access to the following:

"All documents, including but not limited to emails, text messages, diary entries, briefings, notes or any other form of communication between the Minister's office, including the Minister, Chief of Staff, or any other staff member, and the Member for Newland and/or her office."

Timeframe: 19/03/2022 to 09/08/2023

Accordingly, the following determination has been finalised.

I have located five documents that are captured within the scope of your request.

Determination 1

I have determined that access to the following document is **granted in full**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
5	Email between the Office of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development to the Member for Newland dated 22/11/2022 and 24/11/2022 re invite to industry forum	2

Determination 2

I have determined that access to the following documents is **granted in part**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
1	Email from Newland Electorate Office to the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development dated 19/01/2023 re constituent query on Snapper Ban	1

2	Email from Newland Electorate Office to the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development encl letters dated 23/01/2023 re constituent query on Snapper Ban	3
3	Email from the Office of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development to the Newland Electorate Office dated 03/03/2023 re Snapper Closure	4
4	Email from Newland Electorate Office to the Office of the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development dated 19/07/2023 re constituent query on grant funding opportunities	1

The information removed from the above documents is pursuant to Clause 6(1) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act which states:

“6 - Documents affecting personal affairs

(1) A document is an exempt document if it contains matter the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead).”

The information removed consists of the names, home addresses, private email address and mobile telephone number relating to the individuals concerned. Pursuant to Section 27 of the Freedom of Information Act, consultation was undertaken with the third party to which the documents relate and consent was not provided to release this information.

Accordingly, it is considered that disclosure of this information would be an unreasonable intrusion into the privacy rights of the individuals concerned.

If you are unhappy with this determination you are entitled to exercise your rights of external review with the Ombudsman SA. Alternatively, you can apply to the South Australian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (SACAT). If you wish to seek a review, you must do so within 30 calendar days of receiving this determination.

For more information about seeking a review or appeal, please contact the Ombudsman SA on telephone (08) 8226 8699 or SACAT on 1800 723 767.

Should you require further information or clarification with respect to this matter, please contact Ms Rachael Colegate on 8226 2931 or email: Minister.Scriven@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Hon Clare Scriven MLC

**MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT
MINISTER FOR FOREST INDUSTRIES**

4 / 9 / 2023

Gonos, Anthea (PIRSA)

From: Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 19 January 2023 4:20 PM
To: PIRSA:Minister Scriven
Subject: Constituent Enquiry - Olivia Savvas MP

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Categories: Corro - General

Dear Minister Scriven,

Hope this email finds you well.

Our office has been contacted by **Clause 6(1)**

Clause 6(1) is concerned with the snapper ban and the affects it is having on local fishermen, he believes that commercial and professional fishing groups dictate the industry. He would like to know more about the snapper ban and the science behind it, if your office could provide a response to **Clause 6(1)** concerns and questions it would be appreciated.

Alternatively, if your office would like to provide us with standard response and our office will liaise with **Cla**
Clause 6(1)

KIND REGARDS
OFFICE OF OLIVIA SAVVAS MP | MEMBER FOR NEWLAND



Olivia Savvas MP
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Gonos, Anthea (PIRSA)

From: Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>
Sent: Monday, 23 January 2023 1:41 PM
To: PIRSA:Minister Scriven
Subject: Minister Scriven - Constituent Enquiry of Clause 6(1) 230123
Attachments: Clause 6(1) Member's Acknowledgement Letter of Olivia Savvas MP - 180123.pdf; Minister Scriven - Constituent Enquiry of Clause 6(1) 180123.pdf

Categories: Corro - MP MLC EO

Dear Minister,

I hope this email finds you well. Find attached a letter from the Member for Newland, Olivia Savvas MP, regarding concerns from a local constituent, Clause 6(1)

If there's anything you need, please don't hesitate to contact Olivia's office on (08) 8264 4484, alternatively, newland@parliament.sa.gov.au.

Sincerely,

Ulian Cox | Electorate Officer
Office of Olivia Savvas MP | Member for Newland



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Olivia Savvas MP
MEMBER FOR NEWLAND



Clause 6(1)

Dear Clause 6(1)

Thank you for raising your concerns with me regarding the State Government's recent announcement to extend the snapper ban for another three years for recreational fishing.

I have sent correspondence to the Hon Clare Scriven MP, Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development.

I have attached a copy of this letter for your information.

I will contact you again when I receive a response to these enquiries.

In the meantime, please don't hesitate to get in touch with my office on 8264 4482 or by email at newland@parliament.sa.gov.au if I can assist you with any other matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Olivia Savvas'.

Olivia Savvas MP
Member for Newland

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Hon Clare Scriven MP
Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development
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By Email: Minister.Scriven@sa.gov.au

Dear Minister, ^{clare}

I write to you on behalf of **Clause 6(1)**

Clause 6(1) is concerned with the recent announcement by the State Government to extend the snapper ban for another three years for recreational fishing. He is of the opinion that the current fishing laws are inadequate and the recent ruling to extend the ban will negatively impact the livelihoods of everyday local fishers.

Clause 6(1) has requested for his concerns to be address appropriately. If a senior officer from the Department can contact him directly by telephone at 0412 032 462.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter and I look forward to receiving your response so that I can reply to **Clause 6(1)**

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact my office on 8264 4482 or newland@parliament.sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Olivia Savvas'.

Olivia Savvas MP
Member for Newland

23 January 2023

Gonos, Anthea (PIRSA)

From: PIRSA:Minister Scriven
Sent: Friday, 3 March 2023 9:11 AM
To: newland@parliament.sa.gov.au
Subject: eA198747 - Minister Scriven Correspondence - 02.03.23
Attachments: eA198747 - Minister Scriven Correspondence.pdf

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Document ID: eA198747

Dear Ms Savvas

Please see attached correspondence from Minister Scriven regarding concerns from your constituent **Clause 6(1)** in relation to the Snapper closure. **Clause 6(1)**

Kind regards

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The Hon Clare Scriven MLC

Ms Olivia Savvas MP
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Dear Ms Savvas

Olivia,

Thank you for your email of 19 January 2022 regarding concerns from your constituent, **Clause 6(1)** in relation to the Snapper closure. Please find below, proposed wording for inclusion in your response to **Clause 6(1)**

Snapper is an iconic fish in South Australia and important for commercial, recreational, charter boat and Aboriginal traditional fishers. Scientific information from the South Australian Research and Development Institute (SARDI) published in 2019 indicated Snapper stocks in Spencer Gulf, West Coast, and Gulf St Vincent / Kangaroo Island Fishing Zones were at historically low levels.

To support the recovery of depleted Snapper stocks in South Australia, a ban on Snapper fishing was initially put in place from 1 November 2019 to 31 January 2023. The ban applied to all sectors in all waters of the State except for the South East, where the separate stock was classified as sustainable.

In conjunction with the initial Snapper closures, a full suite of Snapper research projects was undertaken by SARDI and a comprehensive Snapper fishery assessment report was released in September 2020 confirming the Spencer Gulf / West Coast stock (SGWC) and the Gulf St Vincent (GSV) stock were classified as 'depleted'. This stock assessment, together with prior assessments and management responses are available on the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) website at: https://www.pir.sa.gov.au/recreational_fishing/community_engagement/community_consultations/snapper_management_review_2019/snapper_stock_assessments_and_management

In 2021/22, further research was undertaken by SARDI to provide updated estimates of spawning biomass for both Gulfs. This work culminated in the production of the Snapper Stock Assessment Report 2022 providing an updated assessment and stock status. This report has been peer reviewed by leading fisheries scientists. Key points and results of this assessment are:

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- *Snapper is a long-lived and slow-growing species, with irregular and variable recruitment of juvenile Snapper to the population (meaning that the number of baby fish that are produced, survive, grow older, and contribute to the adult population each year can vary greatly and is difficult to predict);*
- *The current closure appears to have arrested declines in fishable biomass for the SG/WC and GSV stocks, but there is not yet evidence of stock recovery;*
- *The SG/WC and GSV stocks remain classified as 'depleted' with low biomass while Snapper in the South East (SE) region remains classified as 'sustainable';*
- *The SG/WC and GSV stocks have endured more than a decade of poor recruitment;*
- *There is some evidence of a return to natural aggregating behaviour of Snapper which may increase spawning potential;*
- *Expected timeframes for recovery of SG/WC and GSV stocks are unknown but may take several years or possibly much longer.*

The full Report and the key findings are available on the PIRSA website at: pir.sa.gov.au/snapper-report

Following release of this report, PIRSA undertook a series of public Snapper Science Information Sessions at key regional centres and hosted an online webinar on 19 November 2022.

Peak stakeholder bodies were invited to provide comments on the Report and its implications to the Marine Scalefish Fishery Management Advisory Committee (MSFMAC) which is made up of industry, recreational and traditional fishing experts, and fisheries management, economics and science representatives. The MSFMAC considered the latest Snapper science and stakeholder feedback and recommended the continuation of the SG/WC and GSV Snapper fisheries remain closed. More about the MSFMAC, its membership and recommendations are available on the PIRSA website at: pir.sa.gov.au/msfmac

The Government of South Australia accepted the recommendation of the MSFMAC and extended the Snapper closure to 30 June 2026. The extension of the closure will provide the best possible chance for the depleted stocks to rebuild.

It is acknowledged that Snapper is a very important and iconic species to all sectors and the decision to extend the closure has not been taken lightly. An \$8.8 million targeted support package, including \$2.5 million from the Fisheries Research and Development Corporation, will assist impacted commercial, recreational and charter sectors and provide a significant boost in science funding and research to best support the recovery of Snapper stocks, including:

- *Fee relief for impacted Marine Scalefish Fishery licence holders and Charter Boat Fishery licence holders;*
- *A science program to improve understanding of the factors that underpin Snapper stock recovery;*

- Reef restoration in close consultation with RecFish SA to ensure recreational fishers can play an active role in supporting Snapper stock recovery;
- A Snapper restocking program that will produce nearly a million fingerlings to help replenish stocks.

More about the Snapper management and support measure is available on the PIRSA website at: www.pir.sa.gov.au/snapper-management

Once again, thank you for writing to me regarding the extension of the Snapper closure.

Yours sincerely



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Gonos, Anthea (PIRSA)

From: Newland EO <Newland@parliament.sa.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 19 July 2023 12:19 PM
To: O'Brien, Mat (PIRSA)
Cc: PIRSA:Minister Scriven
Subject: RE: **Clause 6(1)** Grant Funding Possibilities - Office of Olivia Savvas MP - 190723

Categories: Corro - MP MLC EO

Dear Mat,

I hope this email finds you well. Thanks for the call earlier, as mentioned, **Clause 6(1)** **Clause 6(1)** is seeking information for granting funding.

Clause 6(1) mentions that their Association focuses on putting trout into our local rivers and lakes.

Clause 6(1) states that their Association has been doing this for decades. However, with the increased costs this has become difficult to maintain.

Clause 6(1) has requested more information if there are eligible grants that their Association can apply for.

Clause 6(1) can be contacted via mobile at **Clause 6(1)** or via email at **Clause 6(1)**

Thanks for the help!

Sincerely,

Ulian Cox | Electorate Officer

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Kind regards
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