PUBLIC NOTICE

26 March 2019

Moratorium on submission of section 21 (Transfer of Commercial Fishing Right) applications and notifications of changes in shareholding and/or members’ interests during the 2020 Fishing Rights Allocation Process (“FRAP2020”).


In order to facilitate the orderly allocation of fishing rights for FRAP2020, the Deputy Director-General: Fisheries Management, as delegated in terms of section 79 of the MLRA, is imposing a Moratorium on the submission of applications for the Transfer of Commercial Fishing Rights including notifications of changes in shareholding and/or
members’ interest in all fishing sectors that are due for allocation, i.e. the Hake Deep-Sea Trawl, Small Pelagics, South Coast Rock Lobster, Hake Longline, Squid, Demersal Shark, Tuna Pole-Line, KwaZulu-Natal Prawn Trawl, Hake Handline, Traditional Linefish, Oysters and White Mussels fishing sectors. All current right holders in the above-mentioned fishing sectors who intend to transfer their fishing rights in whole and/or in part should submit their applications by no later than **Monday, 30 September 2019**.

The Department will not accept and process any applications for the Transfer of Commercial Fishing Rights including notifications of changes in shareholding and/or members’ interest received after **Monday, 30 September 2019** unless in exceptional circumstances where the Right Holder and/or shareholder and/or member has passed away.

For all FRAP Enquiries contact the Call Centre number on 021 402 3727 (FRAP) or via E-mail: FRAPenq_2020@daff.gov.za

For anonymous tip-offs for fraudulent and unethical practices, a tip-off line will be provided in due course.

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