

**Environmental Protection Authority** 

Section 39B Notice Statement 966 – No 2

## NOTICE OF SECTION 39B DECLARATION THAT PROPOSAL IS A DERIVED PROPOSAL (Section 39B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*)

Strategic Proposal:

Kimberley Aquaculture Development Zone

Strategic Proposal Statement: Ministerial Statement 966 published on 12 May 2014

The Environmental Protection Authority at its meeting 1092 dated 18 August 2016, declared the Cone Bay Phase III Cone Bay Marine Finfish Farming to be a derived proposal in accordance with section 39B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*. I have today as Chairman of the Environmental Protection Authority, given written notice of the Environmental Protection Authority's declaration to the Minister for Environment pursuant to section 39B(5) of the Act.

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2**Y** August 2016

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## Schedule 1 – Description of Derived Proposal

Derived Proposal:	Cone Bay Phase III Cone Bay Marine Finfish Farming
Proponent:	MPA Fish Farms Pty Ltd Australian Company Number 108 494 079 34 Bagot Road Subiaco WA 6008

## Description of the Derived Proposal:

As detailed in the Table below and in Figure 1 attached to this Notice

ltem	Element	Description and authorised extent
1	Aquaculture lease area	As described in Figure 1.
2	Aquaculture licence	An aquaculture licence with a production capacity not exceeding 8,010 tonnes per annum.
3	Aquaculture operations	<ul> <li>Including:</li> <li>installation and maintenance of floating sea cages;</li> <li>stocking of marine finfish of a species that occurs naturally within the Pilbara and Kimberley Region; and</li> <li>finfish feeding, husbandry and harvesting.</li> </ul>
4	Floating sea cage specifications	<ul> <li>Including:</li> <li>predator nets or equivalent to prevent fish escapes;</li> <li>at least a two metre difference between the bottom of the sea cage and the seafloor at lowest astronomical tide; and</li> <li>anchorage and mooring infrastructure associated with the sea cages must be used in such a way so as not to physically damage any reef or coral habitat.</li> </ul>
5	Feed inputs	Only commercial pellet feeds manufactured within Australia to the standard specified in the Kimberley Aquaculture Development Zone Management Policy or if imported fish feed or ingredients then only with the approval of the Australian Quarantine Inspection Service.
6	Seed stock	From a facility certified by the Supervising Scientist Biodiversity and Biosecurity, Department of Fisheries or with a health certificate issued or approved by the Department of Fisheries.

Figure 1: Location of the Phase III Cone Bay Marine Finfish Farming proposal

