UPPER SPENCER GULF MARINE PARK LOCAL ADVISORY GROUP

RECORD OF MEETING

Meeting No.5: Tuesday, 3 May 2011

Lea Memorial Theatre at Port Augusta

The objectives of Marine Park Local Advisory Groups (MPLAG) are to facilitate effective communications between the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)) and regional communities during the development of draft marine park management plans.

Members present: Robin Sharp (chair), Angie Stokes, Michael Slattery, Alan Hall, Peter Huxtable, Garry Barnes, Leon Stephens, Rod Hayles, Lindon Giles, and Tim Breuer (Proxy for Tony Bramley).

Apologies: Doug Reilly, Tony Bramley, Colin Simms, Brett Munns.

Absent: Lavene Ngatokorua and Greg Cowin.

DENR Staff: David Pearce, Sheralee Cox, Simon Bryars, Amanda Gaetjens.

Gallery: 3 people present.

Members advise that the following outcomes were achieved at the meeting:

- The MPLAG members for the Upper Spencer Gulf Marine Park produced one map, with all sanctuary zones unanimously supported. Comments were included to support the zoning plan. These included taking into consideration all the restrictions within Upper Spencer Gulf Marine Park. These include:
 - o Four defined shipping channels;
 - o Four ports with no anchoring allowed;
 - o Eight transhipment points located within the park which are potentially non-anchoring when ships are present;
 - o Aquaculture leases and zones;
 - o Oyster leases in One Shack Bay;
 - o Cultana Defence Area which is restricted;
 - o Total netting bans north of Douglas Bank, Cowleds Landing, Germein Bay;
 - o Razorfish collection ban in front of shacks October to March;
 - o Shellfish closure in Germein Bay for health reasons;
 - Minimal shore access points throughout the park due to mangrove coastline and lack of tracks;
 - o Tidal shorelines reduce the area of the park.
 - The MPLAG has met the zoning guidelines as best as they could, with in depth consultation, considering all users. These included recreational and commercial fishers, divers, mining, tourism, Port Augusta City Council, shack owners, aquaculture, tourism, conservation, indigenous and numerous other parties.
 - The MPLAG has provided an enormous wealth of information that will help ensure the better management of the marine environment in the interests of future generations in Marine Park 10.
 - The MPLAG has suggested names for all of the supported sanctuary zones.