

SUMMARY OF THE MODIFICATIONS TO THE GREAT OYSTER
BAY AND MERCURY PASSAGE MARINE FARMING
DEVELOPMENT PLAN OCTOBER 1998

INTRODUCTION

The Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment conducted a review of the Great Oyster Bay and Mercury Passage Marine Farming Development Plan October 1998 (MFDP) in 2008, in accordance with section 48 of the *Marine Farming Planning Act 1995* (MFPA).

The review identified five modifications to the Great Oyster Bay and Mercury Passage MFDP October 1998. One modification was rescinded by the Minister for Primary Industries and Water on the 7 April 2009. The Minister for Primary Industries and Water gave final approval to four modifications on the 17 May 2010, in accordance with section 31 (3)(a) of the MFPA.

In accordance with section 48(3)(c) of the Act, the modifications supersede the relevant parts of the Great Oyster Bay and Mercury Passage MFDP October 1998.

MODIFICATIONS

Modification 1

A new marine farming sub-zone in Little Swanport (Zone 6D) was created. The zone area and maximum leasable area are 0.25 hectares. Permitted activities within the zone are limited to the deployment of FLUPSY (Floating Upweller System) structures for the culture of juvenile shellfish.

Modification 2

Marine farming Zone 6 (Sub-zone 6C) in Little Swanport was modified to provide for a variation of existing lease area within the sub-zone for improved intertidal culture of shellfish.

Modification 3

Marine farming Zone 8 located offshore of Little Swanport was deleted because the initial planning objective of the zone no longer existed and concerns in relation to navigation issues were raised by the marine farming industry during the review.

Modification 4

Minor modifications to the area and location of boundaries of some marine farming zones were necessary to correct anomalies identified through recent advances in electronic mapping systems utilised in the development of marine farming development plans. The minor changes were limited to sub metre movements of coordinates and the subsequent area changes to zones. In addition, all coordinates were converted to the Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA 94).