



## **Senator the Hon. Richard Colbeck**

**Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources  
Senator for Tasmania**

### **M E D I A   R E L E A S E**

## **Sustainability goes digital on Sustainable Seafood Week**

This week is National Sustainable Seafood Week — a celebration of Australia’s seafood industries and the well-managed, sustainable fisheries that supply our favourite fish and crustaceans.

Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Richard Colbeck, said independent information on the true sustainability of our seafood was now more accessible than ever.

“Australians can be confident that Australian seafood comes from well-managed, sustainable fisheries, which ensures that our fish stocks will be around for generations of seafood lovers,” Minister Colbeck said.

“Last week at ABARES Outlook Conference, I launched the 2019 *Status of Australian Fish Stocks Reports*, which is the most comprehensive guide to the sustainability of our fisheries, developed by the Fisheries Research and Development Corporation – Australia’s leading, genuinely independent fisheries research body.

“It shows that Australia’s fisheries management is world class and our fisheries are getting even healthier, with iconic species like Southern Bluefin Tuna recovering well and now sustainable to catch and eat.

“All Aussie fishers and consumers will now have the opportunity to access a free, easy-to-use app version of the *Status of Australian Fish Stocks Reports* called ‘SAFS – Sustainable Fish Stocks’.

“The SAFS app will provide Australians with a simple summary of the latest blind peer-reviewed scientific assessments from over 100 leading scientists for the definitive authority on seafood sustainability – all easily available at the touch of a button.

“This Sustainable Seafood Week, Australians can continue to support our fishery and aquaculture industries with confidence by downloading the SAFS App and make sure sustainable Aussie seafood is on their menu.

“The Liberal National Government will continue to implement effective marine management strategies to secure the future of our fisheries industry for generations to come.”

To find out more about Sustainable Seafood Week and to view events near you, visit:  
<https://www.msc.org/en-au/home/sustainable-seafood-week>.

[Download the SAFS App now.](#)

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