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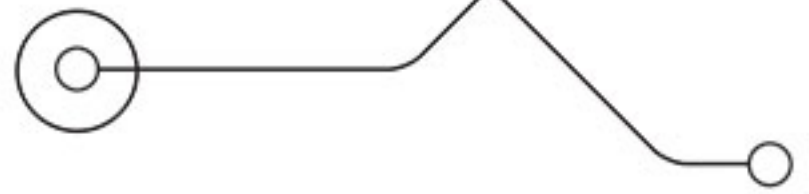
FISHERIES RESEARCH AND  
DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

We plan, invest in and manage  
**research and development for fishing  
and aquaculture** and the wider  
community, and ensure the resulting  
knowledge and innovation  
is adopted for impact.



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# OUR MISSION



To act as a national thought leader, facilitating knowledge creation, collaboration and innovation to shape the future of fishing and aquaculture in Australia for the benefit of the Australian people.

## WHAT WE DO

FRDC works with diverse and geographically dispersed stakeholders in Australian fishing and aquaculture.

Our stakeholders include three **Representative Organisations** – Seafood Industry Australia, RecFish Australia and the Commonwealth Fisheries Association.

Our **Industry Partnership Agreements** (IPAs) manage a suite of sectoral projects over a specified time under an agreed industry plan as identified by the industry body.

Our eight **Research Advisory Committees** (RACs) represent each State, the Commonwealth and the Northern Territory. They provide advice on priorities and needs relevant to the public good and for sectors not covered under IPAs.



# OUR 2020-25 R&D PLAN

This plan was developed with input from across Australian fishing and aquaculture. It also aligns with major commitments, including the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and the National Fisheries Plan. The plan aims for five overall outcomes: growth for enduring prosperity; best practices and production systems; an inclusive and forward thinking culture; fair and secure access to aquatic resources; and community trust, respect and value.

Here are our current focus areas.

- Collaborate across agriculture, fisheries and forestry to target **shared strategic issues**.
- Partner to increase **opportunities for Indigenous communities** in fishing and aquaculture.
- Lay foundations for **successful digital transformation**.
- Explore opportunities to enhance **national sustainability reporting**.
- Expand program to **build capability and capacity** in the people involved in fishing and aquaculture.
- Use of regional network of extension officers to facilitate **greater adoption of R&D**.
- Improve resilience of fishing and aquaculture to a **changing climate**.
- Aid transition of fishing and aquaculture to a **circular economy**.
- Investigate opportunities to optimise **equitable sharing and security of access** to Australia's aquatic resources.
- Understand and respond to threats and opportunities presented by **alternative proteins**.



# STAY UP TO DATE WITH FRDC

**FRDC News** - monthly newsletter with the latest on research, resources and opportunities for everyone involved in Australian fishing and aquaculture.

**R&I Investment Briefing** - quarterly newsletter on research and innovation, including updates on consultation, investment opportunities and R&D projects.

**Fish Names Standard and Aquatic Plant Names Standard** - updates on these standards.



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**FRDC acknowledges** Australia's Indigenous people who are the traditional owners of country throughout Australia and recognises their continuing connection to lands, waters and culture. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present.