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Abbreviations

ACCF	Advisory Council on Commercial Fishing
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ACoRF	Advisory Council on Recreational Fishing
ADT	Administrative Decisions Tribunal
AFMA	Australian Fisheries Management Authority
AQIS	Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service
BRD	Bycatch reduction device
CAMBA	Agreement between Australia and the People’s Republic of China for Protection of Migratory Birds and their Environment
COE	Certificate of Exemption
CPUE	Catch per unit effort
DLWC	Department of Land and Water Conservation
DUAP	Department of Urban Affairs and Planning (now Planning NSW)
EG	Estuary General
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EMPMP	Emergency Marine Pest Management Plan
EP&A Act	Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979
EPA	Environmental Protection Authority
EPBC Act	Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Act 1999
EPT	Estuary Prawn Trawl
ESD	Ecologically Sustainable Development
FAD	Fish aggregation device
FM Act	Fisheries Management Act 1994
FMS	Fishery Management Strategy
FP Act	Food Production (Safety) Act 1998
FRCAC	Fisheries Resources Conservation and Assessment Council
FRDC	Fisheries Research and Development Corporation
IMCRA	Interim Marine and Coastal Regionalisation for Australia
IPA	Intertidal protected area
JAMBA	Japan-Australia Agreement for the Protection of Migratory Birds, Birds in Danger of Extinction and their Environment
MAC	Management Advisory Committee
MPA	Marine Parks Authority
NCC	Nature Conservation Council
NPWS	National Parks and Wildlife Service
NRSMPA	National Representative System of Marine Protected Areas
NSW	New South Wales
NSWF	NSW Fisheries
Regulation	Fisheries Management (General) Regulation 1995
RFA	Recreational fishing area
RFO	Recognised Fishing Operation
RFG	Recognised fishing ground
RFR	Registered Fish Receiver
RRFR	Restricted Registered Fish Receiver
TAC	Total allowable catch
TCM	Total catchment management
TSC Act	Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995
WP Act	Wildlife Protection (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Act 1982