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Inquiry into the Role of Science for Fisheries and Aquaculture

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Inquiry into the Role of Science for Fisheries and Aquaculture — public hearing —

The House of Representatives Standing Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry will hold public hearings this Wednesday 12 September for its inquiry into the role of science for fisheries and aquaculture.

The Committee will hear evidence jointly from representatives of the Australian Fisheries Management Authority, and the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, commencing at 5:15pm in Committee Room 1R3 at Parliament House in Canberra.

The Committee will hear also evidence from the Fisheries Research and Development Corporation, at the conclusion of the appearance of AFMA and DAFF.

Terms of Reference for the inquiry include:

- the relationship between scientific knowledge of fish species, ecosystems, biodiversity and fish stock sustainability;
- fishery management and biosecurity
- · research, development and applied science of aquaculture
- governance arrangements relating to fisheries and aquaculture

The Committee encourages members of the public to attend.

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