

**NWIFCA Technical, Science and Byelaw
Committee**

11th of February 2025: 10:00 a.m.

**Agenda
Item**

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Status of the brown shrimp fishery

Purpose: To provide a report on the recent work surrounding the status of the brown shrimp fishery in the district.

Recommendation: Receive the report

1. Background

NWIFCA's current understanding of the shrimp population in the district is limited; with much of the research surrounding the district's fisheries having been conducted pre-millennia. In response to the growing concerns from industry regarding a decline in the landings and size of shrimp, and the impact this is having on their livelihoods, a review of the current state of the fishery and the potential reasons for its continued decline has been undertaken.

Please see the full report as an appendix to this agenda item.

Lucy Loud, Science Officer, 29th January 2025.