



MEDIA RELEASE

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Proposal to assign a reef name

The Geographical Names Board is calling for public comment on a proposal by the Shoalhaven Heads Business Chamber to name an artificial reef within the waters of Shoalhaven Bight.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board, Narelle Underwood, said feedback is being sought on the proposal to name the site approximately 3.7kms east of Shoalhaven Heads, *Shoalhaven Heads Reef*.

The purpose of the reef is to create fish habitat and high-quality fishing opportunities for anglers. The name *Shoalhaven Heads Reef* has been promoted as an easy way of identifying the reef which is located east of Shoalhaven Heads.

Mrs Underwood said the Board is encouraging community comment before it considers the proposal.

“One of the purposes of place names is to provide a location reference to geographical features,” Mrs Underwood said.

“We also want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to provide their feedback on the proposed name.”

Details of the proposal can be viewed and submissions lodged on the Geographical Names Board’s website at www.gnb.nsw.gov.au.

Alternatively, written submissions may be lodged with the Secretary, Geographical Names Board, 346 Panorama Ave, Bathurst, NSW, 2795.

The closing date for submissions is 12 February 2018.

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