

Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture

Responsibilities

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY MINISTER

The Deputy Minister, responsible to the Minister of Fisheries and Aquaculture, oversees the overall administration and corporate planning of the department.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

The Executive Directors responsible to the Deputy Minister, provide advice and support on issues related to strategic direction and management of the Department and the seafood, aquaculture and sport fish sectors. The Executive Directors directly supervise the management team and oversee the operations of the three divisions.

Marine and Coastal

Provides marine advisory and coastal zone management services to the Province's commercial fisheries and supports coastal infrastructure and development projects through marine advisory services, federal/provincial stakeholder interaction, licensing of fish processing, buying and selling, industry development and frontline service delivery.

Aquaculture

Responsible for aquaculture site leasing and licensing, environmental management, aquatic animal health services, aquaculture development and community/public outreach activities.

Inland Fisheries

Promotes recreational fishing through issuing licences, outreach services, providing education and research, participating in habitat rehabilitation projects and operating three fish hatcheries to enhance salmon and trout stocks for inland waters.

Acts Administered

- *Fisheries and Coastal Resources Act*
- *Fish Harvester Organizations Support Act*
- *Fish Harvester Registration and Certification Board Act*
- *Wildlife Act (Fishing Regulations)*

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