

PROJECT SEA DRAGON

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS

*Project Sea Dragon is a proposed US\$1.5 billion large-scale, integrated, land-based prawn aquaculture project in northern Australia. It is designed to produce high-quality, year-round reliable volumes of Black-Tiger prawns (*Penaeus monodon*) for export markets. The project has made significant progress to date and through it Seafarms maintains strong partnerships with its stakeholders and the local community.*

Seafarms is committed to develop Project Sea Dragon into a world class, biosecure agri-food project. The project has been designed to accord with the Aquaculture Stewardship Council Shrimp Standard and the Environmental Code of Practice for Australian Prawn Farmers. It will also use husbandry practices that are well accepted by government and industry as outlined in the Australian Prawn Farmers' Manual.

Seafarms will implement a number of environmental programs at Legune Station as part of Stage 1 of Project Sea Dragon, in line with the recommendations of both the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority and the federal Department of Environment and Energy.

ABOUT LEGUNE STATION

Legune Station is an extensive Pastoral Lease covering 189,000 hectares which is located between the mouths of the Victoria and Keep Rivers on the north-west coast of the Northern Territory. The Station is host to the Legune Wetlands which are located away from the Project Sea Dragon site. These significant wetlands are home to a diverse range of flora and fauna, including a number of flora species of cultural significance to Indigenous people and at particular times of the year, very large waterbird colonies. Stage 1 of the Project Sea Dragon grow-out facility at Legune Station will comprise 1,120 hectares of land-based production ponds and 324 hectares of internal water recycling ponds and supporting infrastructure.



Protecting the environment is a core responsibility for Seafarms and the following will be implemented at Legune Station during Stage 1 of the project.



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Legune Station

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Legune Station hosts a range of marine, estuarine and freshwater habitats, including wetlands.

WATER QUALITY MONITORING AND MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Seafarms will develop a water quality monitoring and management program to confirm the minimal impact of the project on the area's unique marine, estuarine and freshwater habitats. This program will be prepared and implemented in consultation with a qualified independent scientific expert.

The Pastoral Lease supports large numbers of migratory waterbirds and three waterbird breeding colonies.

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY GROUP

Seafarms will appoint and support a scientific advisory group to advise on matters relating to listed threatened or migratory waterbirds. Terms of Reference for the advisory group have been accepted by the regulators.

WATERBIRD MONITORING AND IMPACT MITIGATION PROGRAM

To ensure the protection of waterbirds and their habitat, Seafarms will develop a waterbird monitoring and impact mitigation program in consultation with the scientific advisory group.

Protecting the Legune Coastal Floodplain site of conservation significance.

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

Seafarms is committed to ensuring the environmental impact of the project is minimised. The project will be managed in accordance with an environmental management plan including weed and pest management programs, a fauna management plan and erosion and sediment controls.

Improving scientific knowledge.

INCREASE BASELINE ENVIRONMENTAL DATA ACROSS SITE

Seafarms has committed to ongoing data collection to build a robust baseline data set for the environmental monitoring programs that will inform sustainable environmental management.



ABOUT FARMED PRAWNS

Seafarms has established itself as a leading Australian agri-food company and is currently Australia's largest producer of farmed prawns through its Crystal Bay Prawns™ brand. There is an increasing global demand for seafood and Project Sea Dragon will help reduce pressure on the wild caught prawn stocks. Seafarms is committed to sustainability and views farmed seafood as the most sustainable way to provide seafood to the world. Project Sea Dragon will also contribute research into prawn breeding and biosecurity.

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