

MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND MARINE RESOURCES

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**DECLARATION OF KASAYA CHANNEL IN IMPALILA CONSERVANCY AS
FISHERIES RESERVE: INLAND FISHERIES RESOURCES ACT, 2003**

Under section 22(1) of the Inland Fisheries Resources Act, 2003 (Act No.1 of 2003), in response to the written initiative of the Zambezi Regional Council and the Bukalo Traditional Authority and in consultation with the Council and Traditional Authority, I declare the Kasaya Channel, in the Impalila Conservancy area, of which the geographic boundaries are set out in the Schedule as a fisheries reserve.

The fishing activities permitted within the Kasaya Channel Fisheries Reserve and the conditions are set out in the Schedule.

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MINISTER OF FISHERIES AND MARINE RESOURCES

Windhoek, 5 December 2016

SCHEDULE

**DESCRIPTION OF GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES: KASAYA CHANNEL FISHERIES
RESERVE UNDER JURISDICTION OF IMPALILA CONSERVANCY**

1. The boundaries of the Kasaya Channel Fisheries Reserve formally known as the Kasaya Channel Fish Protection Area (FPA) includes the entire channel between the banks at low flow from the point at which it leaves the main Zambezi River course Kasaya Channel entrance to the point where the channel exits into the Chobe River.
2. The boundaries referred to in paragraph 1 are as follows:
 - (a) Exits Zambezi River: 17°44.717'S, 25°09.533'E; and
 - (b) Enters Chobe River: 17°46.667'S, 25°09.617'E.
3. Specific fishing activities permitted in the Kasaya Channel Fisheries Reserve and the conditions are as follows -
 - (a) The management agreement drawn up for the Kasaya Channel Fisheries Reserve by the Impalila Conservancy in association with the Bukalo Traditional Authority, the Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources and the Regional Council in Katima Mulilo is formally recognised.
 - (b) No netting or the use of any net is allowed in the Kasaya Channel Fisheries Reserve.
 - (c) Recreational anglers may only practice catch-and-release when fishing in the Kasaya Channel Fisheries Reserve.

- (d) An annual fee as agreed between the lodges and the Impalila Conservancy must be paid to the conservancy by the lodges and angling clubs.
 - (e) Day visitors fishing in the Kasaya Channel Fisheries Reserve must pay the daily boat fee as agreed between all stakeholders.
 - (f) Trophy fish caught may be kept at a cost per kilogram paid to the Impalila Conservancy as agreed between all stakeholders.
 - (g) Boat movement is only be allowed on the water in the Kasaya Channel Fisheries Reserve between 06:00 and 18:00.
 - (h) Patrols for management of the Kasaya Channel Fisheries Reserve will be made by the conservancy tour guides, conservancy game guards and conservancy fish monitors, in close agreement with, and through cooperation with, the Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources. These patrols will be assisted by the Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources, by the Namibian Police and the Ministry of Environment and Tourism, when necessary.
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