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Sustainable future fishing for trout and native fish

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Founded in 1937, the Monaro Acclimatisation Society Incorporated (MAS) is a voluntary organization primarily concerned with the development and maintenance of freshwater fisheries in south-eastern New South Wales in the Snowy Monaro region. Because this region contains mostly trout water, the MAS has a focus on trout, but it also makes significant contributions to the native fish program throughout the region. The MAS is a primary stakeholder with the NSW Department of Primary Industries (Fisheries) and is recognized as such under the *Fisheries Act 1935*. MAS participates with NSW Fisheries in the stocking of freshwater lakes and rivers, maintenance of habitat, contribution to policy and legislation affecting freshwater fishing in NSW.

We have written to your Minister expressing our disappointment in not being engaged with the assessment for the listing as Endangered for *Galaxias terenasus* ('**round-snout galaxias**') on the threatened species list, pursuant to the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth). Nevertheless, given its listing, we are now working with DPI (Fisheries) to adjust the trout stocking plan in the Snowy-Monaro, and also exploring other actions to protect *terenasus*.

We have sighted the Conservation Advice on *Galaxias terenasus* and the preceding request for comment on the assessment. However, we cannot see documented on your website the comments you received as part of the public contribution. In order for us to fully understand the thought process that went into the assessment and inform our actions with DPI (Fisheries), can you please provide us with the contributions and identify who provided them? We'd also seek any record of minutes of the relevant Threatened Species Scientific Committee meetings.

Yours sincerely

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