

ST HELENA BAY WATER QUALITY TRUST - NOTICE OF TERMINATION

The following notice was received by POMA on 9 January 2024, sent by Prof. Jan Marx.

It is with regret that I must inform you that the St Helena Bay Water Quality Trust (SHBWQT) was terminated today, due to insufficient funds. The Trust will therefore not be taking water samples for analyses (*E. coli* & *Intestinal enterococci*) and be able to provide data to external institutions anymore.

In addition, the website will be closed down, the yearly State of the Bay Report will not be compiled and the progress on the standardisation of CWDPs will not be monitored. Investigation of pollution occurrences and record keeping of these incidents will not be executed by the Trust anymore and should be reported to the Municipalities. Please take note that there will be no early indication if beaches or waterways, monitored by the Trust, become unfit for recreational use.

We thank you for your support over the 23 years the Trust was operational.

Kind regards

Jan Marx