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Dear Consultee,

## Consultation on the proposed Crab and Lobster Fisheries Management Plan (FMP)

I am writing to invite views on the Crab and Lobster FMP and its associated Environmental Report for English waters.

This consultation is an opportunity for you to help shape and influence the future of Crab and Lobster management policy in England and builds upon previous engagement with industry.

The consultation survey has four parts:

1. Personal details and confidentiality (required)
2. Questions on the proposed Crab and Lobster FMP
3. Questions on the Crab and Lobster FMP environmental report
4. Consultee feedback on the Online Survey (required)

You only need to respond to the questions that you wish to answer. There is a mixture of general and specific questions. However, all respondents must complete the required 'Consultee Feedback on the Online Survey' and 'personal details and confidentiality' sections before you are able submit your response to the online survey. We welcome any further information and evidence to support this work - you can supply that directly via [FMPconsultations@defra.gov.uk](mailto:FMPconsultations@defra.gov.uk).

The following documents can be found on [Crab and Lobster Citizen space](#):

- Crab and Lobster FMP Consultation document
- Proposed Crab and Lobster FMP & Associated Annexes
- Crab and Lobster FMP Environment Report
- Crab and Lobster FMP De Minimus Impact Assessment

There is also a short Executive Summary of the FMP and a non-technical summary of the Environmental Report.

## Responses

To submit your consultation response please complete the consultation questionnaire provided through Citizen Space (Citizen Space is an online consultation tool). If you require a copy of the consultation, please contact us at [FMPconsultations@defra.gov.uk](mailto:FMPconsultations@defra.gov.uk).

Responses, additional information, or documents can be sent to:

Consultation – Crab and Lobster FMP  
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Responses should be received by 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

Yours sincerely,

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