

26th March 2020

Mark Webb
Director General
Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
17 Dick Perry Ave,
Kensington WA 6151

Re: Licence fee relief

Dear Mark,

In response to multiple enquiries from concerned WIPA members and following the announcement by the WA State Government on the COVID-19 economic response to provide relief for businesses and households, WIPA would like to request DBCA give serious consideration to providing licence fee relief to shack licensees by way of cascading deferral of payments for an initial six month period.

Given the current preferred government policy of social distancing, WIPA feels it would be prudent also to consider deferring the compliance date for tank stand removal or certification by an engineer by six months, or until such time as it is socially responsible to bring consultants on site.

As a socially responsible organisation, the WIPA Committee has implemented a Communicable Disease (COVID-19) Policy, and cancelled all group social activities and functions in line with social distancing protocols.

With this being the case WIPA requests that all upcoming Strategic and Operational meetings be deferred or held via email/teleconferencing.

Sincerely,



Brad Glew
President

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cc: Jason Foster