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## Zagul hunting ban in Mura Badulgal turtle and dugong management area

The Mura Badulgal Registered Native Title Body Corporate (RNTBC) and the Badu community have put in place traditional hunting restrictions within the Mura Badulgal turtle and dugong management area.

The area defined under the Mura Badulgal Dugong and Turtle Management Plan is marked in red on the accompanying map.

The restrictions totally ban the use of Zagul hunting or hunting dugong and turtle at night in a boat using the motor. The restrictions will apply until further notice.

Permission may be granted for funeral purposes by contacting the Mura Badulgal RNTBC.

The restrictions were implemented on 15 January 2010 by the Council of Elders of the Mura Badulgal Clans of Badu represented by the Mura Badhulgal RNTBC, Mura Badulgaw Rangers, hunters and the community members.

The restrictions will ensure that turtle and dugong populations are protected for future generations in their traditional area.

The Mura Badulgal RNTBC asks neighbouring communities to respect and support their management initiative.

Please call the Mura Badulgal RNTBC on 0740694778 or Torres Strait Regional Authority's Land and Sea Management Unit on 07 4069 0802 or 07 4069 0820 for further information.

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