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If this proceeds, Australia will be the first nation in the world to go backwards on marine protection – setting a damaging international precedent at a time when the world's oceans need more, not less protection.

I Reject the proposal to allow mining in parks – the Government proposes to allow mining and pipelines in the vast majority of the parks. Marine parks not currently containing mining exploration rights should be considered for full protection from mining. As emphasised at the recent World Conservation Congress, industrial activities like mining and mining exploration are not compatible with marine parks. Marine parks should be fully protected from mining as has been achieved in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park. I support the Draft's proposal to put in place a large no-mining zone 'Special Purpose Zone (Mining Exclusion)' in the Great Australian Bight Marine Park, and recommend that the Western and Southern Kangaroo Island Marine Parks are given the same zoning upgrade throughout. Further, I recommend that the other key coastal communities adjacent to commonwealth marine parks be given protection from mining – at Esperance (the SW Corner and Eastern Recherche Marine Parks), Peaceful Bay (SW Corner Marine Park) and Perth Canyon Marine Park.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

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