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Which sector do you represent? General public Which draft plans are you commenting on?

- Coral Sea
- North Network
- North-west Network
- South-west Network
- Temperate East Network

Which marine park(s) are you commenting on? All What topic(s) or activity(s) are you commenting about?

- General use and access (including recreational)
- Commercial shipping
- Commercial fishing
- Commercial pearling and aquaculture
- Oil, gas, or mining
- Structures and works

What part of the plan(s) are you commenting on?

- Part 1 - Managing Australian Marine Parks
- Part 2 - The Marine Park or Network
- Part 3 - Zoning
- Part 4 - Managing activities

Which program are you commenting on? Park protection and management program Please tick this box if you would like to keep up to date with all the latest information on Australian Marine Parks by subscribing to our email updates. :

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Does your comment relate to the renaming of marine parks? No Please type your comments below:

I am extremely concerned that the Federal Government is proposing to the obvious, drastic reduction of the currently protected areas within marine parks, opening them to exploitation by numerous industries whose interests are not associated with conservation and sustainability.

Such exploitation can only result in the depletion of marine species through consequent damage to breeding and feeding grounds caused by industrial activity.

The Federal Government's present focus on implementing policies and enacting legislation that are designed to maximise the profit of a small group of stakeholders (mining industry, oil & gas, large commercial fisheries) is extremely detrimental to Australia's environment and sustainability for future generations of tax paying citizens.