

Dear Sir or Madame,

Please **REJECT the Government's plans to cut marine protection!**

So many of our waters have already been ruined by development, drilling, pollution, and humans.

Enough is enough!

Our waters are supposed to be a place of peace and quiet for us, and the fish and wildlife which live in them and/or rely on them!

The animals are running out of places to live and be safe. Our fish and wildlife are under threat from so many angles. They desperately need to be protected, mainly from humans.

Life is hard enough for people, let alone the animals.

Can't we please offer them some much needed help?!

PLEASE save the waters for all future generations before they are permanently ruined. Some damage cannot be undone!

In the Coral Sea alone the area placed in Marine National Parks has been halved. The same goes for Marion Reef. Even Osprey Reef, one of the top dive sites in the world has had half its area removed from the Marine National Park. **Shark and Vema Reefs have been taken out of the Marine National Park area altogether.**

Midwater trawling is to be reintroduced and it will be now be possible for longlining to start at the southern tip of the Coral Sea reserve and continue all the way to the northern boundary.

No Government **ever** has taken this many hectares out of conservation before. **It's the largest backward step in areas under conservation in history. Please REJECT the Government's plans to cut marine protection!**

Thank you for your time.

Respectfully,

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