

I find it almost inconceivable that our protected waters are slowly being exposed and made vulnerable to being fished and dredged and degraded as they have been in the past.

The only way to save this planet and preserve the oceans and habitat which keeps us alive is to manage them with some care and sense of preservation. Removing existing protections would be crazy.

I spend enough time on our waterways and oceans to see damage to our ecosystems from commercial fishing dredging and mining.

It is almost too late to save our Great Barrier Reef.

The greed and destruction exhibited by the corporations who work in and around marine ecosystems have generally proven to the world that they are there to exploit at everyone's expense.

These activities include building resorts, fishing, netting, dredging, mining and waste dumping.

A loss of any protected Australian waters is a loss to the nation....if it allows the return of commercial practices to such an area.

On this and other protected land, water and sites in Australia the protections must stay in place.

This entire country is losing trees, nature and habitat faster than it can possibly grow.

The Queensland coast will become part of the desert if clearing does not stop.

The marine habitat around the country is in the "same boat" and must be kept safe.

There will always be those looking to plunder the earth's riches for the good of a few.

Your job is to help protect it for all ...not leave it open to be plundered.

Best Regards, sincerely,
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