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Organisation:

Which sector do you represent? Recreational fishing 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 marine parks contained within the draft plans What topic(s) or activity(s) are you commenting about? Recreational fishing 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
- Schedules

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:

As a recreational fisher, I value greatly the ability to fish in the vast options available in the oceans around Australia. From dream locations in tropical waters for pelagic fish or in the normal reach of my home coastal waters. I however do believe that we need a balanced approach to the management of our oceans and as such find the current draft plans a good balance between management, protections and use. It is a hard balance to achieve and while there are things in the plans I dont agree with, I realise there must be compromise to get balance and I believe the current plans are a good way forward for the management of our oceans.

Regards

Simon Murphy