

I wish to oppose in the strongest terms, the drastic cutbacks to our marine parks that are proposed by the government. We will be the first country in the world to wind back on marine parks, with very dire consequences for marine species of many kinds. Why would you open up these amazing natural wonders to oil and gas extraction and to aggressive commercial fishing?

I am quite simply frightened by this Government consistently denying the advice of our scientific community and instead seems hellbent on supporting big business. I am appalled to see the way this government is not only prepared to trash our Great Barrier Reef through support for the Adani mine (the employment outcomes from which are grossly overstated) but now proposing this incredibly retrograde step in drastic reductions to our marine park sanctuaries.

No wonder our young people are committing suicide at an unprecedented rate. You are leaving us with no hope for the future of our planet.

Regards

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