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Email address (required): gergel@dodo.com.au Which sector do you represent? Other 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
- Commercial media
- Commercial tourism
- Indigenous cultural use
- Oil, gas, or mining
- Recreational fishing
- Research
- Structures and works

- National security and emergency response 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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Parliament: Yes

Does your comment relate to the renaming of marine parks? Yes Please type your comments below:

Why does everything have to have an economic value? Why can we not just leave natural waterways, oceans and rivers to exist without gaining something from them?

Please expand the protection and conservation areas on all of Australia's oceans and rivers.

Please protect the animals, marine life, birds and insects that live in these areas. Let Nature be natural and let us (the human race) benefit from it in ways such as: fresh clean water, fresh clean air, and a clean conscience that we acted in an altruistic way to protect the planet for ALL living things, not just the (greedy and selfish) human race.

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I strongly oppose the renaming of Marine Reserves to Marine Parks as it is the beginning of encroachment for humans' (unnecessary) needs.

The renaming of Marine Reserves to Marine Parks is, to me, just another way of wasting time, energy and money on superfluous agendas aimed at maximising future encroachment and development for human needs in these areas. The renaming of a Reserve to a Park erodes the value of the area protected.

A 'Reserve' is just that: reserved for natural inhabitants ie. birdlife, animals, insects. A 'Park' has a different connotation; a place where human interaction takes place and sets a precedent for future changes such as construction and development for human wants.

We need to protect our waterways, oceans, and rivers from pollutants and development for humans needs.

We need to protect the animals, birds and insects that live in and around our waterways from encroaching human development and pollution.

Maximum areas of natural habitat should be set aside to be just that:

Natural!

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