

Dear Minister Frydenberg

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the rollback on marine protection that has been proposed.

I am not an eloquent person, nor do I know all the ins and outs of marine life or the health of our ecosystems, so no doubt in an open discussion many people who wish to cut back marine protection could argue in such a way to diminish my concerns, at least in the eyes of the governing bodies.

That being said, we cannot put a price on nature and if we are to put profits before the planet, we will all lose.

In my lifetime, I have seen the Great Barrier Reef go from thriving natural wonder of the world, renown for its beauty, to a dead zone for coral.

I have seen deep sea drilling that destroyed the gulf of Mexico be proposed for the Great Australian Bight, which is a fight that still continues.

The people who don't want our oceans protected care nothing for our country, or that the oceans surrounding Australia are our lifeblood as far as coastal towns and tourism are concerned. They don't care that they are destroying something that can never be replaced, they care about the bottom line.

You are the Minister for Environment and Energy. We need you to care about this, we need you to protect our marine life and its beautiful one of a kind ecosystems. You are the voice for the planet in this, please do what is best for our environment, not what's best for business.

Thank you for taking the time to see to my concerns.

Kind Regards
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