

To Minister for Environment

I am shocked that The Australian Government is considering cutting the area of protected ocean by 50%. Please do not go ahead with this proposal - it will have disastrous consequences for marine life and habitat.

Reintroducing Midwater trawling is a shocking step backwards and needs to be stopped - the effects on the environment could be catastrophic to many species that are already struggling to survive.

No Government ever has taken this many hectares out of conservation before. and it is the largest backward step in areas under conservation in history.

Please reject this proposal and save the protected ocean areas for the sake of our oceans and marine life.

Yours sincerely

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