

Dear Government Ministers,

I am concerned about the future of the Great Barrier Reef and the sea life associated with it and the Coral Sea. We need to protect this, not exploit it in unsustainable ways.

The Reef is also at risk of pollution runoff from the land

The prolific fishing grounds off the coast of North America (Dogger banks) were fished out through overuse. We need to be very careful that whatever is allowed in the Coral Sea and Barrier Reef areas will not damage its long term future, or better still, will enhance the environment, This has to be our heritage for our children and their children. The resources of the world are entrusted to us for use, not for exploitation.

I urge you to protect this marine environment, not open it up further to commercial exploitation.

Thank you for taking the time to deal with this issue.

Barry Buckley

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