

I'm dismayed that our government is considering cutting the area of ocean Australia protects by 50%! It seems a completely backward step to revoke existing protection for our beautiful marine environment and remove more hectares from conservation.

Once I used to think Australia was a progressive country but now I feel that we're very far behind other developed nations in environmental protection. Its so sad to see our unique environment being sidelined in favour of greed. Our marine environment is precious - providing livelihoods for many - the insidious destruction of it will prove to be a disaster for those who work in it and those who visit it.

I urge you reject any plans that involve cutting marine protection.

Yours sincerely

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