

Marine Parks and Minister Frydenberg,

It deeply concerns me that the current LNP Federal Government shows little concern with the environment and the fragile ecosystems. Now further cutbacks. Your Government only seems concerned with political life and supporting the large mining conglomerates.

We continue to destroy our planet and take our environment for granted. God created the world with the seas and this is where it will end, if we continue to be so reckless with what we have been given.

I understand that In the Coral Sea alone the area placed in Marine National Parks has been halved. The same goes for Marion Reef. Even Osprey Reef, one of the top dive sites in the world has had half its area removed from the Marine National Park. **Shark and Vema Reefs have been taken out of the Marine National Park area altogether.**

Midwater trawling is to be reintroduced and it will be now be possible for longlining to start at the southern tip of the Coral Sea reserve and continue all the way to the northern boundary.

This is an unwise decision. Please reconsider your Government's position.

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