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Good afternoon, please find my answers to the questions provided on the EPA's Strategic Advice on Exmouth Gulf consultation page below. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

What are the values (environmental, social and cultural) you associate or identify with in and around Exmouth Gulf?

A wilderness experience  
A place of outstanding natural beauty  
A place visited by rare and endangered species  
A unique indigenous history  
A place to escape from the city  
A feeling of isolation  
Opportunities to observe and interact with wildlife  
Snorkelling off the beach  
Free camping/beach camping

What activities do you engage with in and around Exmouth Gulf?

Snorkelling  
Scuba Diving  
Beach walking  
Camping  
Whale watching  
Boating  
Fishing  
Sunbathing  
Photography  
Swimming  
Hiking  
4WDing  
Holidaying  
Bird watching

What environmental pressures do you observe in and around Exmouth Gulf?

Overfishing (commercial and recreational)  
Seabed damage from trawling  
Camping impacts from litter, grey water and campfires  
Recreational boat strike  
Impact damage to reefs from snorkelling/ diving activities  
Risks from industrial proposals (Subsea 7 Learmonth Pipeline Fabrication Facility, Ashburton Solar Salt project, Gascoyne Gateway Deepwater Port)

Risk to marine life from boat strike, noise pollution, oil spills, introduced marine pests, light spill, dredge plumes and loss of habitat  
Impacts of sunscreen on corals and seagrass  
Damage to seagrasses through anchorage and dredging activities  
Disturbance of nesting seabirds and turtles and their nests on the beaches  
Climate change - increasing sea temperatures, increasing sea levels, damage to mangrove systems  
Increasing limestone and shale mining

## What environmental pressures in and around Exmouth Gulf affect you/your sector or business?

All of the above (re-pasted below) affect me as a user of Exmouth Gulf with property interests in Exmouth.  
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## Are there other activities that are proposed (or likely to be proposed) that you are aware of, which will impact the Exmouth Gulf?

Subsea 7 Learmonth Pipeline Fabrication Facility  
Ashburton Solar Salt project  
Gascoyne Gateway Deepwater Port  
Increased visitation by cruise ships  
General increased visitation to Ningaloo-Exmouth Gulf  
Climate change  
Ningaloo Lighthouse Caravan Park re-development  
Current and proposed oil & gas activities  
Limestone shale mining

Kind regards,



