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

exmouth gulf represents a big part of the local communities values as it is a place for social gathering, recreation and nature appreciation, Being the closest access to the ocean from the town. The gulf represents a significant part of the whole reef system and alot of wildlife use it as apart of their life cycle, in turn this effects the globe. The gulf for me encompasses an important part of the town's identity but also globally.

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

Recreational activities such as, fishing, kitsurfing, boating,wildlife watching (humpback whale migration, manta rays, dugongs)
Mangrove day trips, appreciating and exploring all the forms of life within it being, birds to mangroves to mudflats. I visit the gulf everyday to connect myself with the natural world.

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

Pressures of Cruise ships, Marina activity and development,over fishing, destruction of reef from commercial fishing in the past , seagrass destruction and major marine traffic. General pollution from a in flux of people visiting Exmouth.

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

If the pressures come to light it affects the fish population which in turn affects recreational fishing. The habitats of the animals that come into the gulf for safety is compromised and may change their behaviour of visiting the gulf and depleting certain aspects that they rely upon.

My business as a freelance artist is to take the collective inspiration and refelet it back to the residents of Exmouth that is the cultural unity. The environment is something that the local people hold dear, affecting their environment is like attacking their identity which will create angst.

It will affect the natural asthetic which is what people need to connect to, to feel apart of.

1. Are there other activities that are proposed (or likely to be proposed) that you are aware of, which will impact the Exmouth Gulf?

The salt mine project, the pipe line project, deep sea port and lighthouse resort development.

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