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Submitted to **EPA Strategic Advice for the Exmouth Gulf - Consultation**

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Introduction

1 What is your name?

Surname:

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Given name:

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2 What is your email address?

Email:

[REDACTED]

3 Do your views officially represent those of an organisation?

No, these are my personal views

If yes, please specify the name of your organisation.:

4 Which of the following best describes the group or person you represent?

Private Citizen

If other, please specify.:

Comments

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

Please provide your comments on what information should be required here.:

The Exmouth Gulf is a hidden treasure and its environment is one of a kind. It is rich in reproduction and hosts an incredible amount of different species, some that are critically endangered.

We do not often find a place that such rare ecosystems exist, these need further research and to be protected for years to come. Many animals find sanctuary in the Exmouth Gulf, specifically whales, dugongs and turtles, which come to mate, breed, nurse their young and feed.

I know many people including myself love the Exmouth Gulf as a place to explore, go free diving and scuba diving, participate in boating activities and there are incredible photographic opportunities.

People travelling to Exmouth are recognising the use and enjoyment of the Gulf more and more and exploring its underwater paradise just as much as the west side of the cape.

There is room for much growth in the tourism sector and environmental education.

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

Please provide your comments on how emissions should be considered here.:

Photography/ videography both terrestrial and in water

Beach walks

Social gatherings with friends e.g. picnics

bush walks

boating activities

whale watching

bird watching

kayaking

snorkelling

free diving

scuba diving

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

Please provide your comments here.:

Industrialisation poses as a huge threat to the Exmouth Gulf. The ecosystems are extremely intricate and rare. A balance is there that could be affected.

Boating, people need to be careful when boating in the area, watching for wildlife and driving slowly is a must

Over fishing, catch limits need to be re established

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

Label:

As a wildlife filmer mostly natural history, I would hate to see the behaviour of wildlife in the gulf change, we may not see some wildlife at all if industrialisation goes ahead.

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

Label:

The Sub Sea 7 fabrication facility and the Deep Water Port will in my opinion negatively affect the environment of the Exmouth Gulf.

6 Is there any other information you would like to provide?

Please provide your comments here.:

7 If you have any documents to include with your submission, please upload here.

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8 Information provided.

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