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Introduction

1 What is your name?

Surname:

[REDACTED]

Given name:

[REDACTED]

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.:

It is the Ningaloo nursery where many young animals such as whale calves are raised. Having a large port puts that at risk and would greatly disrupt the fauna. Not only that, but it would also discourage young skippers from taking their boats out in the gulf, as I know many school aged kids who have their skippers tickets enjoy venturing out into the gulf for an afternoon of fishing, but it would become increasingly uncomfortable to navigate with large ships regularly heading down the gulf to the port.

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

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

I regularly go whale watching and fishing in the gulf, as well as going out on the boat. I enjoy driving along the beach at the gulf and setting up somewhere along there for the day with family and friends to just have time to relax.

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

Please provide your comments here.:

Pressure to maintain the pristine environment for the nursery for whales and other marine mammals. Pressure to maintain the sea bed for the dugongs and the other animals that rely on the shelter. Pressure to make sure there isn't large ships regularly going through the area that can cause damage, especially if something were to go wrong and a mistake was to be made, which could be catastrophic for the environment.

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

Label:

They only affect me to a personal extent, as I feel very invested in this town that I have called home since I was 3 years old.

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:

Subsea 7 pipeline. Has similar issues that developing the port would - damage to the sea floor during development, disruption to the fauna and Ningaloo nursery.

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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