



NATIONAL SEAFOOD INDUSTRY ALLIANCE

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No government assistance for regional communities and businesses

The Commonwealth government will NOT be providing assistance to the many communities, and businesses, around Australia impacted by the displacement of the fishing industry by the new Commonwealth marine reserves network.

“People in regional communities need to be asking the federal Minister for Environment, Tony Burke and Minister for Fisheries, Joe Ludwig, as well as their local members now about why the government will not support them.” said National Seafood Industry Alliance, Chair, Mr Grahame Turk.

“The announced scope of the Federal Government’s adjustment assistance package will not cover a range of communities.” Mr Turk said.

“We are calling on the government to provide a fairer and more equitable adjustment assistance package, a package that would cover not only the displaced fishers but also the businesses and communities that provide support to the seafood industry.” Mr Turk went on to say.

“It is only reasonable that the government provides assistance to anyone impacted by such a significant change in the way Australia’s marine area will be managed.” said Mr Turk.

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Communities potentially impacted by the Commonwealth Marine Reserves Network*

South Australia	Western Australia	Northern Territory	Queensland	New South Wales
Adelaide Ceduna Coffin Bay Elliston Fowlers Bay Kingscote Port Adelaide Port Lincoln Streaky Bay Thevenard Venus Bay	Abrolhos Albany Augusta Bremer Bay Bunbury Busselton Carnarvon Cervantes Cowaramup Dampier Derby Dongara Eucla Exmouth Esperance Geraldton Green Head Hamelin Bay Johns Creek Jurien Bay Kalbarri Margaret River Nickol Bay Onslow Point Samson Port Gregory Quindalup Windy Harbour Wyndham	Darwin Gove Harbour/ Nhulunbuy Wadeye	Airlie Ayr Bowen Brisbane Bundaberg Cairns Gladstone Gold Coast Hervey Bay Innisfail Karumba Lucinda Mackay Maryborough Mooloolaba Townsville Weipa Yeppoon	Ballina Brooms Head Byron Bay Coffs Harbour Eden Forster Greenwell Point Iluka Jervis Bay Lake Macquarie Nambucca Heads Nelson Bay Newcastle Port Macquarie Port Stephens Portland Salamander Bay South West Rocks Tweed Heads Ulladulla

*As identified in the Government commissioned ABARES socio-economic assessment reports.

<http://www.environment.gov.au/marinereserves/background.html#social>