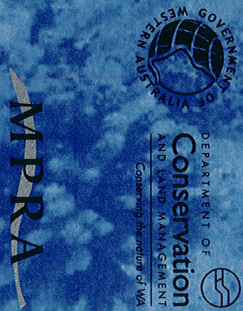


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2004

Have your say

Indicative Management Plan
for the Proposed
Montebello/Barrow Islands
Marine Conservation
Reserves 2004

1 HAVE YOUR SAY

The Department of Conservation and Land Management (CALM) is now inviting you to HAVE YOUR SAY on how the proposed Montebello/Barrow Islands marine conservation reserves (if gazetted) are managed over the next 10 years.

You can HAVE YOUR SAY by making a submission on the indicative management plan.

How to make a submission:

To make a submission please refer to the indicative management plan and:

- complete this submission form; or
- write a letter and mail it to the address below.

Plan Coordinator
Proposed Montebello/Barrow Islands Marine
Conservation Reserves
Marine Conservation Branch
47 Henry Street,
Fremantle WA 6160.

Submissions can also be forwarded by email
(judyvd@calm.wa.gov.au).

The closing date for submissions is 24 May 2004.

Copies of the indicative management plan can be inspected at the offices and libraries of the Shires of Roebourne, Ashburton and Port Hedland. Copies of the plan can be obtained from the following CALM offices:

- State Operations Headquarters, 17 Dick Perry Avenue, Technology Park, Western Precinct, Kensington WA 6151;
- Marine Conservation Branch, 47 Henry Street, Fremantle WA 6160; and
- Karratha Regional Office, Mardie Road, Karratha Industrial Estate, Karratha WA 6714.

The indicative management plan and online submission form are also available at CALM's NatureBase website (www.naturebase.net).

Delivery Address:
Locked Bag 104
BENTLEY DC WA 6983



Marine Conservation Branch
Department of Conservation and Land Management
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This submission form has been designed to assist you in providing comment on the indicative management plan. We have included questions on sections of the plan on which we would like your opinion. However we encourage you to comment on any aspect of the plan. Please include additional sheets if there is insufficient space.

Important—To maximise the value of your submission you are encouraged to complete the whole form and where you disagree with a particular aspect of the plan please provide reasons for your view, and where relevant suggest an alternative.

Contact details

Name (required):

Organisation (if applicable):

Position (if applicable):

No. of people represented by this submission:

Postal address (required):

Suburb/Town/City (required):

State (required):

Post code (required):

Email address:

Do you want your submission to be treated as
confidential? Y N

When completed, moisten light blue areas on this side of form, then refold to close (do not staple) so the return address panel is on the outside.

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Thank you for your submission.

Public submissions on the indicative management plan will be reviewed and summarised. The Marine Parks and Reserves Authority (MPRA) will consider the submissions and provide advice to the Minister for the Environment. The Minister for the Environment must seek the concurrence of the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries and the Minister for State Development to create the proposed reserves and for the approval of a management plan for the area. The reserves will then be gazetted and a management plan will be formally approved.

What happens next?

Do you have any comments about the planning process for the proposed reserves? (please be specific)

Do you have any other comments about the establishment and management of the proposed reserves? (please be specific)

Other comments

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What activities do you undertake, and what interests do you have, in the proposed Montebello/Barrow islands marine conservation reserves?
(Please list with most important first)

Vision Statement

The indicative management plan is based on the following vision statement:

To maintain and improve the marine flora and fauna, habitats and water quality of the Montebello/Barrow islands area. The area will support commercial and recreational activities which are compatible with the maintenance of environmental quality and be valued as an important ecological, economic and social asset by the community.

Do you share this vision for the future of the proposed reserves? Y N

Your reasons (please be specific):

Strategic objectives

In general terms the environmental objectives of the proposed reserves are to:

1. ensure the variety of marine plants and animals is maintained; and

2. ensure human activity does not upset the balance of nature.

Do you agree with the above strategic environmental objectives for the proposed reserves? Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

In general terms the social objectives of the proposed reserves are to:

1. allow for, and manage in an equitable and sustainable way, a range of compatible recreational and commercial activities; and

2. promote education, nature appreciation and scientific research.

Do you agree with the above strategic social objectives for the proposed reserves? Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Do you agree with the proposed arrangement of zones within the proposed Barrow Island Marine Park?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Barrow Island Marine Management Area

Do you agree that *marine management area* is the most appropriate type of marine conservation reserve for the waters surrounding Barrow Island and the Barrow Shoals (not including Turtle Bay)?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Do you agree with the proposed boundary of the proposed Barrow Island Marine Management Area?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Reserve type, boundaries and zoning

There are three different categories of marine conservation reserve that can be created under the *Conservation and Land Management Act 1984*—marine nature reserve, marine park and marine management area. The choice of the most appropriate reserve category relates primarily to the most appropriate management model given the ecological and social values of the area. On the basis of the conservation significance, and the current and future uses of the proposed reserves, the indicative management plan recommends that *marine park* and *marine management area* are the most appropriate reserve types.

The indicative management plan recommends that a *marine park* be created at the Montebello Islands; a *marine park* be created west of Barrow Island; and a *marine management area* be created over the waters surrounding Barrow Island and including the Barrow Shoals. Please refer to Section 8.1 of the indicative management plan for information on the boundaries and zoning of the proposed reserves.

Montebello Islands Marine Park

Do you agree that *marine park* is the most appropriate type of marine conservation reserve for the waters surrounding the Montebello Islands?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Do you agree with the proposed boundary of the proposed Montebello Islands Marine Park?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Do you agree with the proposed arrangement of zones within the proposed Barrow Island Marine Management Area?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Management strategies

The management strategies for the ecological and social values (Sections 7.1 and 7.2) describe how each value will be managed across the proposed reserves.

Do you agree with the management strategies for the ecological values as outlined in the tables in Section 7.1 of the indicative management plan?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Do you agree with the management strategies for the social values as outlined in the tables in Section 7.2 of the indicative management plan?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Do you agree with the proposed arrangement of zones within the proposed Montebello Islands Marine Park?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Barrow Island Marine Park

Do you agree that *marine park* is the most appropriate type of marine conservation reserve for the Turtle Bay area west of Barrow Island?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Do you agree with the proposed boundary of the proposed Barrow Island Marine Park?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Generic management strategies

Do you agree with the generic research, monitoring, surveillance and enforcement, education and interpretation, public participation, and direct management intervention strategies as outlined on pages 72–75 of the indicative management plan?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Management targets

Do you agree with the management targets for the ecological values as outlined in the tables in Section 7.1 of the indicative management plan?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):

Do you agree with the management targets for the social values as outlined in the tables in Section 7.2 of the indicative management plan?

Y ☐ N ☐

Your reasons (*please be specific*):