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By Email: roger.jaensch@dpac.tas.gov.au

Roger Jaensch MHA
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Parliament House
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Dear Roger.

## Your plan for Marine Protected Areas in Tasmanian Coastal Waters

I am writing to you on behalf of Tasmanians for Marine Parks, a campaign of Marine Life Network Inc.

Our members note the joint communique issued by State and Territory Environment Ministers on 21 October 2022.

In this is states that "In recognition of the scale and urgency of environmental challenges, ministers agreed: 1. To work collectively to achieve a national target to protect and conserve 30% of Australia's landmass and 30% of Australia's marine areas by 2030."

We note the previous commitment of the Gutwein and Hodgman Governments to a "moratorium" on the creation of new marine parks.

Can you please explain for our members how and when you intend to give meaningful effect to this commitment in inshore State waters?

We stand ready to assist in relation to how that process might proceed in a way that balances the needs of all stakeholders in Tasmania.

Thank you for your consideration of this issue.

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