



Australian
Marine Parks

Draft South-west Network Management Plan 2017

This factsheet outlines the proposed zoning and rules for Australian Marine Parks in the South-west Network, as set out in the draft management plan. We are seeking your feedback on this plan.

We are also inviting feedback on draft management plans for marine parks in the North, North-west, Temperate East and the Coral Sea.

The draft plans set out our approach to managing Australian Marine Parks (formally known as Commonwealth Marine Reserves) over the next ten years. In developing draft plans, we have worked hard to balance the need to protect important marine habitats and features, with supporting people to use and enjoy these special places.

The draft plans have benefitted from many inputs, including feedback from the public, the independent review of Commonwealth marine reserves released in 2016, the advice and expertise of traditional owners on managing sea country, the best available science, and the Government's policies and approaches to supporting competitive and sustainable fisheries.

About Australian Marine Parks in the South-west Network

There are 14 Australian Marine Parks off the coast of South Australia and Western Australia that make up the South-west Network. These marine parks cover 508 371 km² and

are popular for fishing, snorkelling, diving and boating. They also support commercial fishing, tourism, mining and shipping, which contribute to economic growth, employment and social wellbeing in coastal towns and communities. These marine parks include habitats such as mid-slope terraces, deep abyssal plains, marginal plateaus, underwater mountain chains and submarine canyons, including Australia's largest underwater canyon, the Perth Canyon. They have high species diversity, globally significant populations of threatened species and a high number of species found nowhere else.

Have your say

Please send your feedback on these draft plans by 20 September 2017, by:

1. Filling in our feedback form, available at: parksaustralia.gov.au/marine
2. Emailing: managementplanning.marine@environment.gov.au
3. Writing (free of charge) to:
Australian Marine Parks Management Planning Comments
Department of the Environment and Energy
Reply Paid 787
Canberra ACT 2601

Comments may be made public. Personal information provided to us will be dealt with in accordance with the Australian Privacy Principles. Further information and our privacy notice is available at parksaustralia.gov.au/marine. Your personal information may be disclosed to the Minister, relevant government agencies, the Australian Parliament and where required by law.

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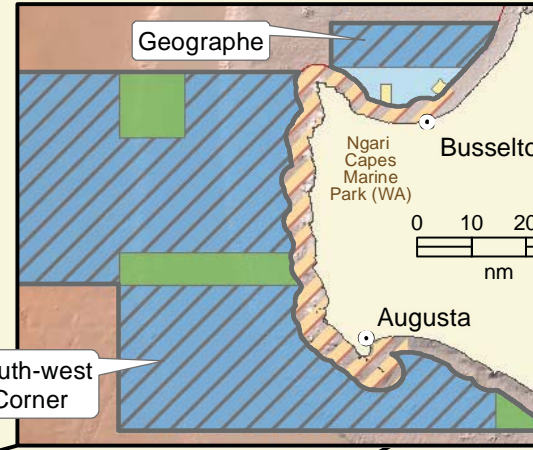
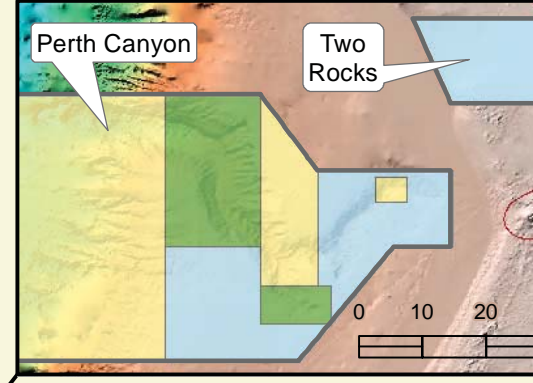
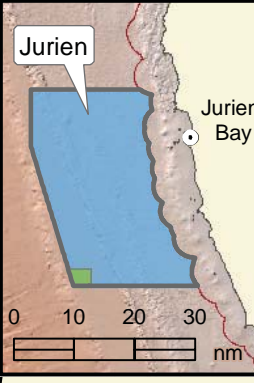
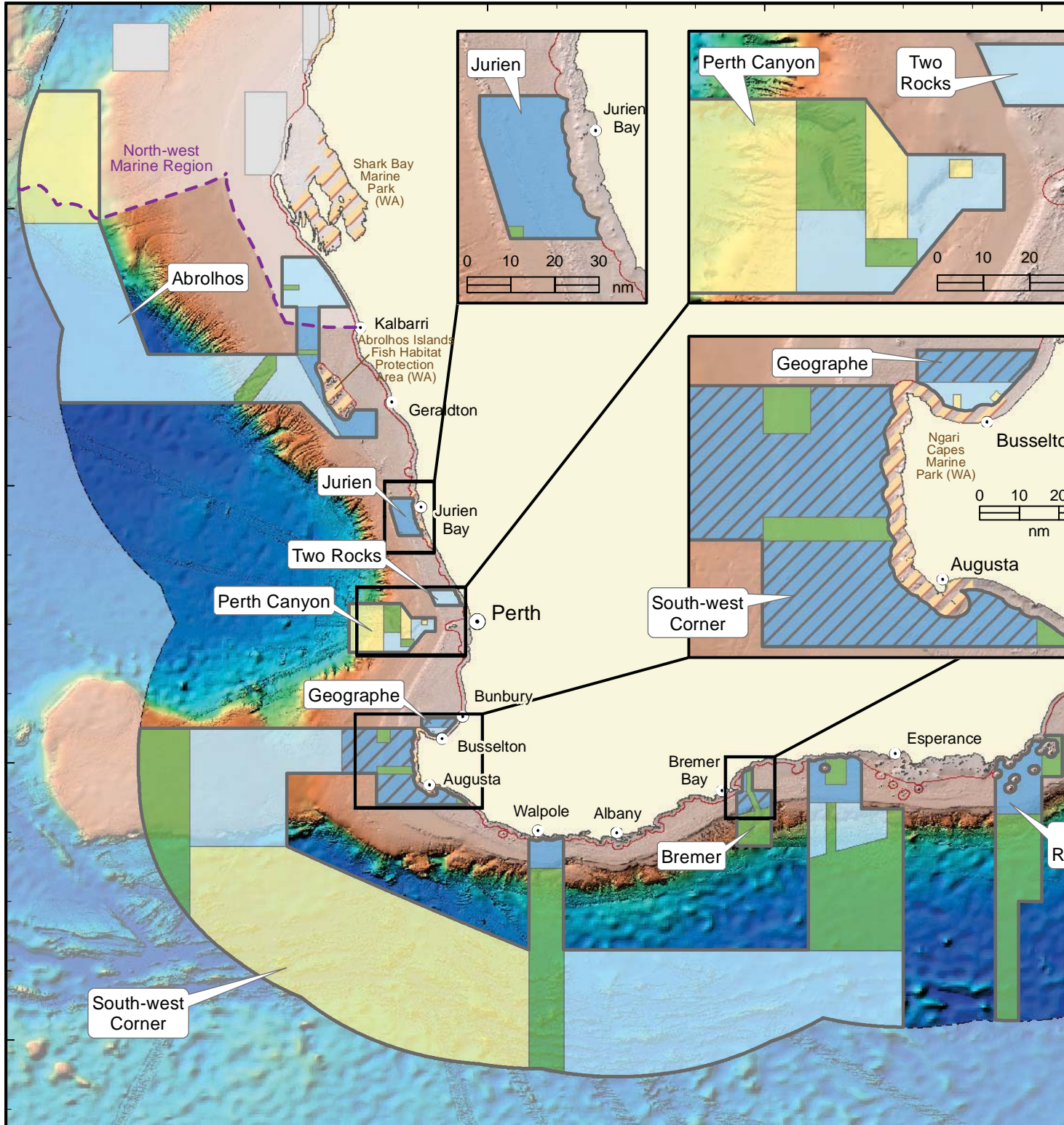
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




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Zoning

-  National Park Zone (IUCN II)
-  Habitat Protection Zone (IUCN IV)
-  Multiple Use Zone (IUCN VI)
-  Special Purpose Zone (IUCN VI)
-  Special Purpose Zone (Mining Exclusion) (IUCN VI)
-  Special Purpose Zone (Trawl) (IUCN VI)

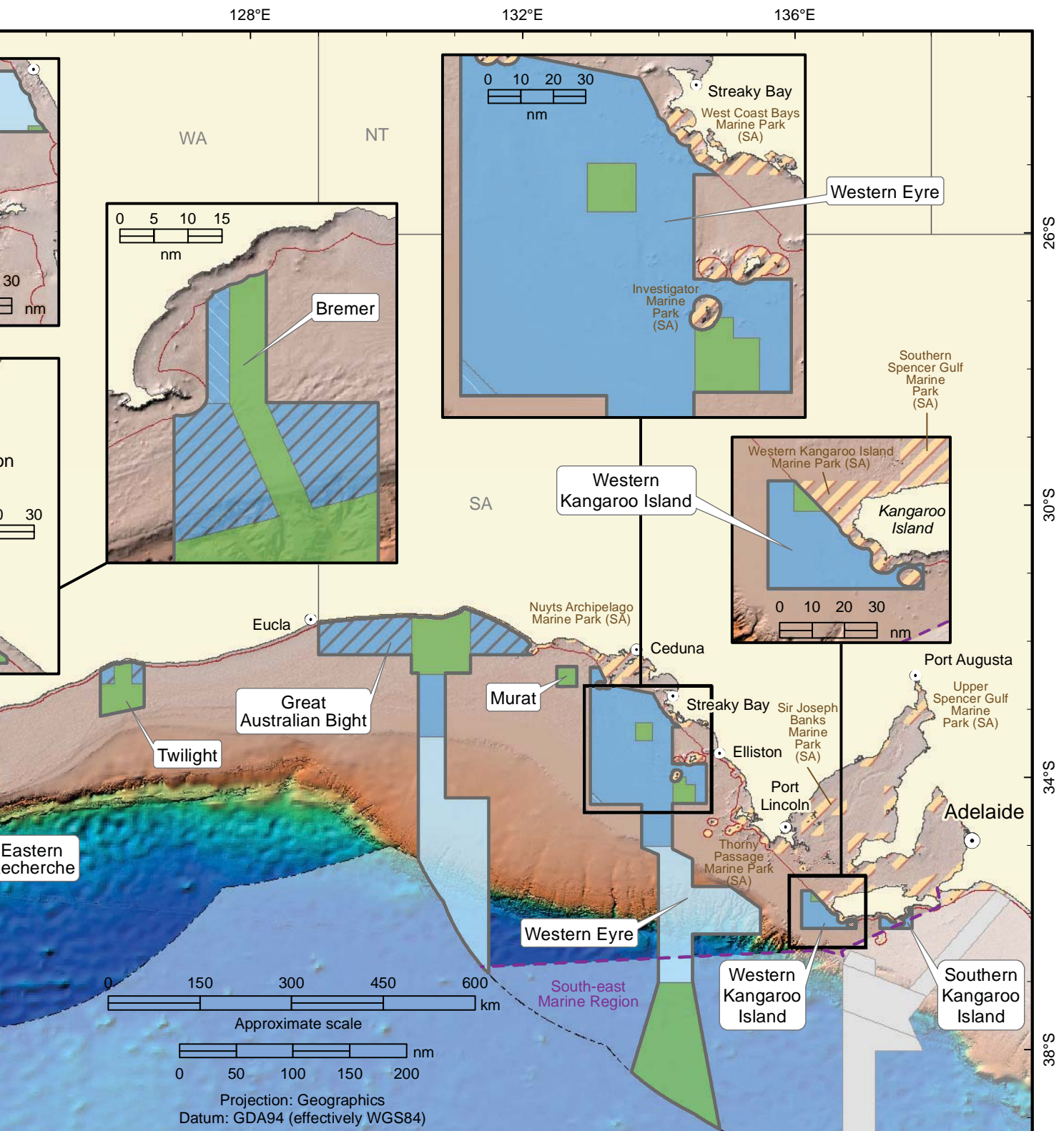
Other marine protected areas

-  North-west Network marine park or South-east Network Commonwealth marine reserve
-  State marine park (WA/SA)

Ocean depth






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Maritime boundaries

-  Limit of coastal waters
-  Marine region boundary
-  Limit of the Australian exclusive economic zone

Australian Government data sources:

DoEE (2017) : Australia's Network of Marine Parks (Draft)
 DoEE (2014) : Collaborative Australian Protected Areas Database
 DoEE (2012) : Commonwealth Marine Regions
 Geoscience Australia (2014) : Australian Maritime Boundaries (AMB) v3.0
 Geoscience Australia (2005) : Australian Bathymetry and Topography
 Geoscience Australia (2003) : GEODATA TOPO 2.5 M

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Overview of the proposed rules for activities (refer to the draft plan for full details)

Activity		Special Purpose Zone (Trawl) (IUCN VI)	Special Purpose Zone (IUCN VI)	Special Purpose Zone (Mining Exclusion) (IUCN VI)	Multiple Use Zone (IUCN VI)	Habitat Protection Zone (IUCN IV)	National Park Zone (IUCN II)
GENERAL USE AND ACCESS	Ballast water discharge and exchange	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Disposal of waste from vessels	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Camping	A	A	A	A	A	A
	Recreational use (non-fishing, nature watching, boating, etc.)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Non-commercial remote piloted aircraft, drones etc.	A	A	A	A	A	A
COMMERCIAL SHIPPING	Anchoring	✓	✓	✓	✓	X ^B	X ^B
	Vessel transiting	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
COMMERCIAL FISHING	Dropline	A	A	A	A	A	X
	Hand collection (including using hookah, scuba, snorkel)	A	A	A	A	A	X
	Hand net (hand, barrier, skimmer, cast, scoop, drag, lift)	A	A	A	A	A	X
	Longline (demersal, auto-longline)	A	A	A	X	X	X
	Longline (pelagic)	A	A	A	A	A	X
	Minor line (handline, rod & reel, trolling, squid jig, poling)	A	A	A	A	A	X
	Net (demersal)	A	A	A	X	X	X
	Net (pelagic)	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Purse seine	A	A	A	A	A	X
	Trap, pot	A	A	A	A	X	X
	Trawl (demersal)	A	X	X	X	X	X
	Trawl (midwater)	A	A	A	A	A	X
Trotline	A	A	A	X	X	X	
COMMERCIAL AQUACULTURE	Aquaculture	A	A	A	A	A	X
COMMERCIAL MEDIA	Commercial media	A ^C	A ^C	A ^C	A ^C	A ^C	A ^C
COMMERCIAL TOURISM	Non-fishing related tourism (including nature watching, scuba/snorkel tours)	A	A	A	A	A	A
	Charter fishing tours (including spear diving tours)	A	A	A	A	A	X
	Commercial aviation tours (up to 3000 m above sea level)	A	A	A	A	A	A
RECREATIONAL FISHING	Recreational fishing (including spear-fishing)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
MINING	Mining operations including exploration	A ^D	A	X	A ^E	X	X
	Construction and operation of pipelines	A	A	A	A	A	A
STRUCTURES AND WORKS	Moorings, excavation and maintenance	A	A	A	A	A	A
	Disposal of dredged material	A	A	A	A	X	X
	Artificial reefs	A	A	A	A	A	A ^F
	Fish aggregating devices	A	A	A	A	A	X
RESEARCH AND MONITORING	Research	A	A	A	A	A	A
NATIONAL SECURITY AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE	National security and emergency response	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

- ✓ Activity is allowed.
- X Activity is not allowed.
- A Authorisation required.
- B Anchoring is not allowed except in anchoring areas determined under r.12.56 of the EPBC Regulations.
- C News-of-the-day reporting is allowable subject to terms determined by the Director, and subject to the Director being notified.
- D Mining operations are not allowed in the Special Purpose Zone (Trawl) (IUCN VI) of the Bremer Marine Park.
- E Mining operations are not allowed in the Multiple Use Zone (VI) of the Geographe Marine Park.
- F Activity is allowable only if authorised by the Director for the restoration of habitats.

Note:

- Anchoring by commercial fishing vessels is not allowed in the National Park Zone (II), except in anchoring areas determined under the EPBC Regulations.
- Fishing gear must be kept stowed and secured at all times during transit through, or while stopping and anchoring in, a zone in which fishing operations are not authorised.
- Disposal of waste from vessels must comply with MARPOL requirements

Further information

If you have questions regarding the draft plans or the public comment process, please visit the Australian Marine Parks website parksaustralia.gov.au/marine, send an email to marinereserves@environment.gov.au, or call 1800 069 352.

