

Sent: Thursday, November 06, 2014 11:35 AM

To: s.47E(d)

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Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2014 4:54 PM

To: s.47E(d)

Cc: s.22(1)(a)(ii)

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From: s.22(1)(a)(ii)
Sent: Wednesday, 5 November 2014 1:29 PM
To: s.47E(d)
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Sent: Tuesday, 18 November 2014 1:26 PM

To: s.22(1)(a)(ii)

Cc:

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Attachments: s.22(1)(a)(ii) - Attachment outside the scope of FOI request

s.22(1)(a)(ii) thank you for the soft copy of the several documents you gave me. I have distributed them to my colleagues. s.47E(d)

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Your sharing of the Australian government's environmental approach to such projects was helpful, s.47E(d)

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I appreciate yours and the Australian government ongoing interest and support s.47E(d)

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Regards,

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From: s.22(1)(a)(ii)

Sent: Wednesday, November 12, 2014 4:52 PM

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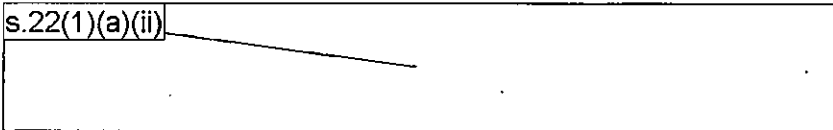
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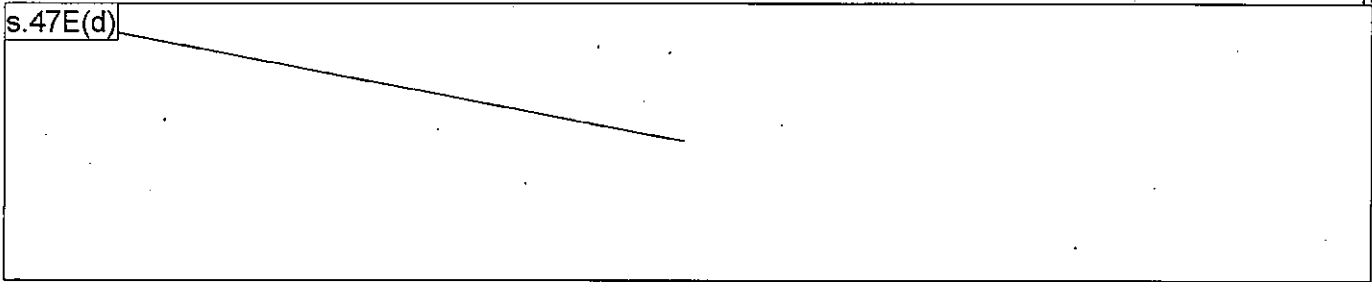
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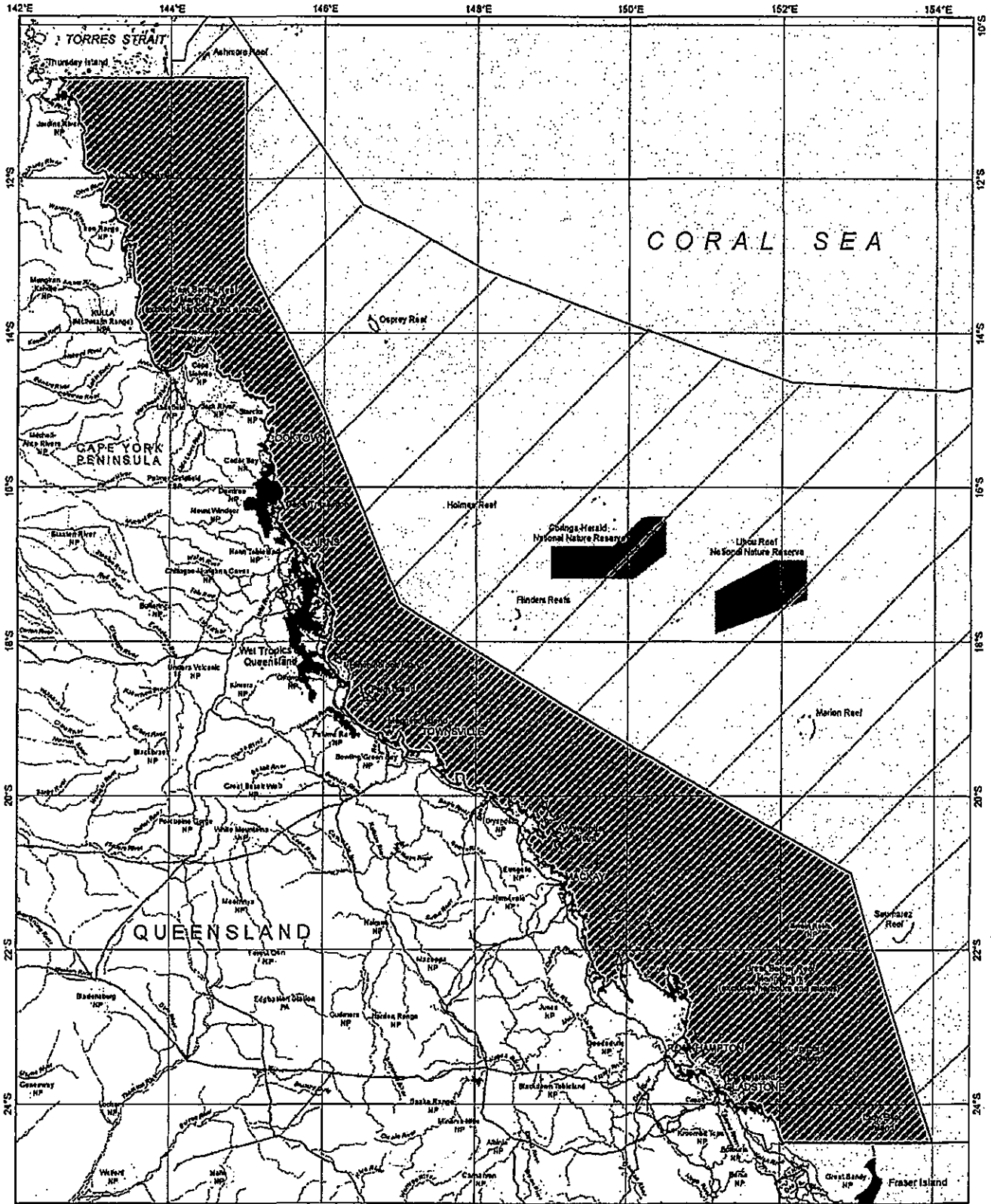


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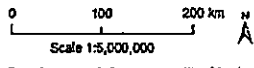


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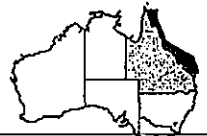
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| World Heritage areas excluded from GBRMP | Waterbodies |
| Other WHA | Reefs |
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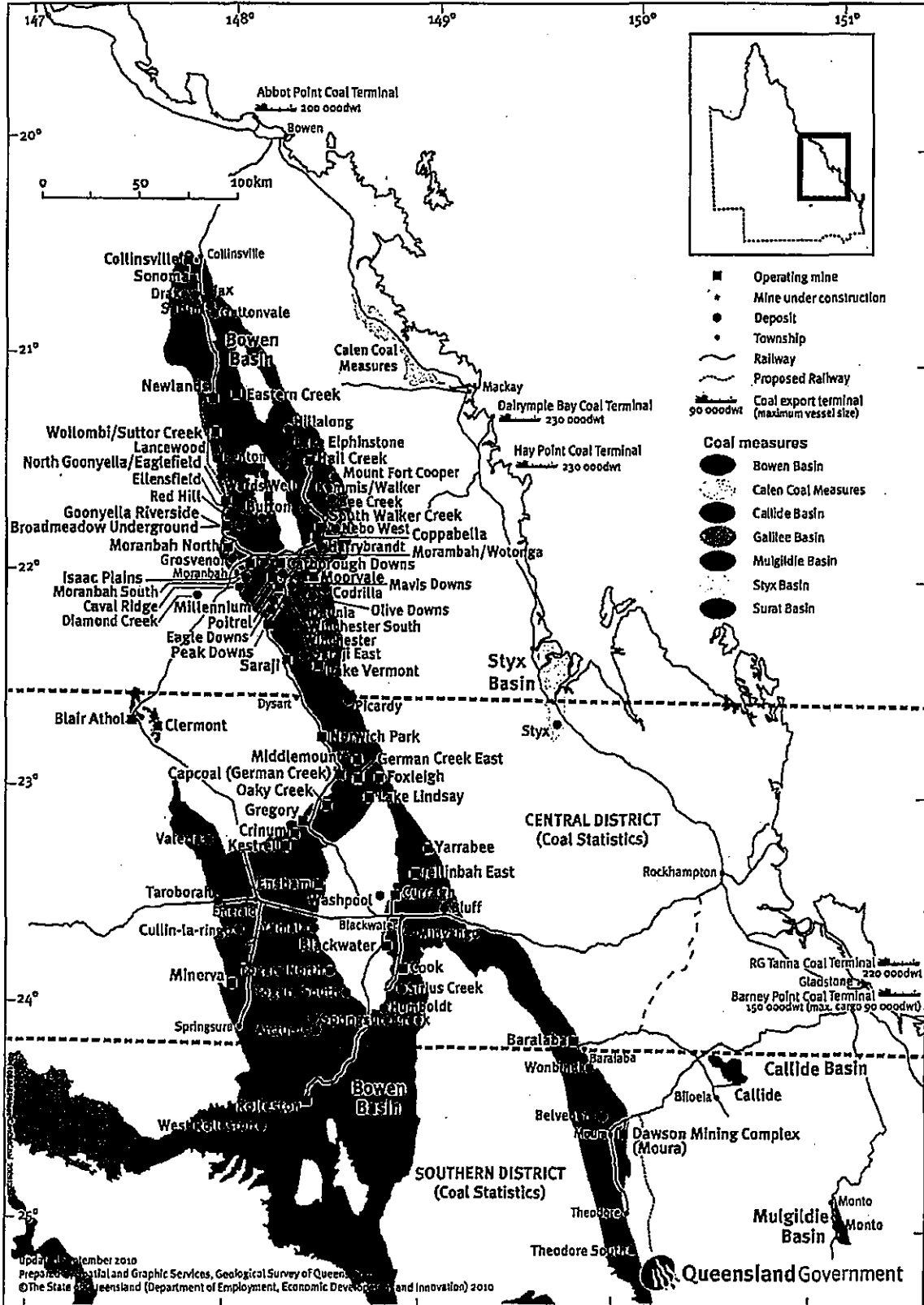
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The Hon. Greg Hunt MP
Minister for the Environment

MEDIA RELEASE

10 November 2014

We're already putting an end to dumping in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park

The Coalition Government is already putting an end to the disposal of capital dredging in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.

We announced this policy in December 2013 – less than three months after coming into government.

When we announced our policy position last year, we flagged the end of a century-old practice.

We made it clear that we've drawn a line in the sand.

With both state and federal Labor having previously supported disposal in the Marine Park, we welcome reports of a shift to follow the Coalition policy.

We inherited five major proposals from Labor to dispose of dredge spoil in the Marine Park, and have reduced that to zero.

Labor had the chance and failed to do it. We have already fixed the problem.

Labor advanced plans for dumping in the Marine Park as part of the Abbot Point project with 33 preliminary approvals.

We worked with the Abbot Point proponents to find a better way and plans for onshore disposal are currently undergoing environmental assessments.

In addition, we have already announced in the Reef 2050 Plan a ban on capital dredge disposal in the Marine Park and we are working with the Partnership group, which involves industry, community and conservation groups on how that could be strengthened to be legally binding.

Protecting the Great Barrier Reef is a challenge we must work together on as a community and one which this government has as a priority.

The Australian and Queensland governments are jointly investing approximately \$180 million a year in the reef's health – that's billions of dollars over the next decade.

The Government is committed to the long-term protection of the Great Barrier Reef as one of Australia's greatest natural icons – and a vital asset for tourism and jobs in Queensland and Australia.

We have a clear plan and a strong commitment to ensure the reef is healthy and resilient – and we are making strong progress.

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Status of capital dredging projects adjacent
to the Great Barrier Reef coast in September 2014

Project proposal	Referred for assessment	Proposed dredge volume (m ³)	Comparative Status - With particular emphasis on disposal to the Marine Park. <small>Status at Sept 14 reflects both public statements and conversations held by the federal Minister, the Queensland Government and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority with the port authorities.</small>		Dredge spoil in GBR Marine Park = status now
			September 2013	September 2014	
Fitzroy Terminal Project/ Port Alma	2011	not yet determined	Included Trans-shipping - No details put forward by proponent	Proposal ruled out by federal Minister and Queensland government through the Qld Port Strategy	Nil
Fitzroy delta – Balaclava Island	2011	Not determined but significant	First proposal withdrawn – potentially able to be resubmitted	Balaclava Island now preserved and no new proposal will be considered under Queensland Port Strategy	Nil
Port of Townsville Port Expansion Project (Capital)	2011	10,000,000	Disposal in the Marine Park considered as an option. 4,300,000 onshore to reclamation. 5,700,000 to sea disposal	After meeting with federal Minister, the port has indicated it will abandon the option of disposal in marine park and boost the amount in reclaim	Nil
Cairns Shipping (Trinity Inlet) Project (Capital)	2012	4,400,000	Disposal in the Marine Park indicated as preferred approach by port Likely to seek to dispose full amount in the Marine Park	Federal Minister and Queensland government have indicated they will not approve disposal in the Marine Park	Nil
Abbot Point capital dredging	2012	3,000,000	Disposal in the Marine Park preferred	Decision to dispose in Marine Park now to be replaced with a new 'on land' disposal option following consultation with federal Minister, the Queensland government and GBRMPA about new option to have safe 'on land' disposal	Nil

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Dudgeon Point Coal Terminals Project – in port of Hay Point (Capital)	2012	13,000,000	Disposal in the Marine Park likely On hold Disposal site yet to be determined - options include Marine Park	Port has indicated publicly that the project remains on indefinite hold. Minister and Qld government have ruled out disposal in the Marine Park.	Nil
Development of the Yarwun Coal Terminal Project (Capital)	2012	4,560,000	Disposal proposed on-shore	Disposal proposed on-shore	Nil
Port of Gladstone Channel Duplication (Capital)	2012	12,000,000	Disposal site yet to be determined - options include Marine Park	Minister has advised the port that Marine Park disposal will not be approved, and the port has subsequently indicated it will not seek permission to dispose dredge spoil in the Marine Park.	Nil
Abbot Point Terminal 10/Waratah Coal	2012	not yet determined	No details provided by proponent	Minister and Qld government have ruled out disposal in the Marine Park	Nil

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There were proposals either planned or under active assessment in September 2013 totalling in excess of 47 million cubic metres of which a significant proportion was under consideration for sea disposal, including in the Marine Park. As at September 2014, the federal Minister, the Queensland Government and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority have reduced this to nil disposal in the Marine Park.

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Cc: [redacted]
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