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**Australian
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Northern Territory Coastal and Marine Management Strategy

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Re: Response to Discussion Paper for public consultation

To whom it may concern

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the Northern Territory Government Coastal and Marine Management Strategy Discussion Paper.

In 2012, the Australian Government established the North Marine Parks Network - eight marine parks that are located offshore from the coast of the Northern Territory, Queensland and Western Australia. Management arrangements for the North Marine Parks Network will be established through partnerships with federal, state and territory government agencies, and where possible with traditional owners and ranger groups.

Parks Australia acknowledges the important role that development of a Coastal and Marine Strategy for the Northern Territory will play in helping the community and industry groups engage in planning for and managing these areas. We look forward to remaining engaged on the preparation of the Strategy.

While the Strategy acknowledges the boundary between our jurisdictions, there may be further opportunity for the Strategy to acknowledge the intent of Parks Australia and the Northern Territory Government to work together to manage our respective marine parks. We would be happy to discuss this further as the Strategy is developed.

We look forward to engaging further with the Northern Territory Government and all stakeholders on the preparation of this Strategy, and also on the future management of Australian Marine Parks in the North Network.

Yours sincerely



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