

**NOTICE INVITING COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL TO PREPARE A DRAFT MANAGEMENT PLAN**

*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*

Notice under subsection 368(2)

**HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE FUTURE MANAGEMENT OF THE SOUTH-EAST MARINE PARKS NETWORK**

This notice is to let interested parties know that the Director of National Parks intends to prepare a draft of the next South-east Marine Parks Network Management Plan\* and invites members of the public to make suggestions on the future management of the South-east Marine Parks Network.

The South-east Marine Parks Network comprises the following 14 Marine Parks:

1. Apollo Marine Park
2. Beagle Marine Park
3. Boags Marine Park
4. East Gippsland Marine Park
5. Flinders Marine Park
6. Franklin Marine Park
7. Freycinet Marine Park
8. Huon Marine Park
9. Macquarie Island Marine Park**\*\***
10. Murray Marine Park
11. Nelson Marine Park
12. South Tasman Rise Marine Park
13. Tasman Fracture Marine Park
14. Zeehan Marine Park

\*the current plan is known as the *South-east Commonwealth Marine Reserves Network Management Plan 2013-23*

\*\*includes additional areas proposed to be included in the Macquarie Island Marine Park as shown on the map at http://[www.//parksaustralia.gov.au/marine/parks/south-east/macquarie-island/](http://www.//parksaustralia.gov.au/marine/parks/south-east/macquarie-island/)

When finalised, the management plan will guide management of the South-east Marine Parks Network for the next 10 years. The current management plan expires on 30 June 2023 but will continue in effect until a new plan is in place.

Comments must be received no later than 11:59 PM AEDT 22 May 2023, and should be submitted through the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water’s *Have Your Say Portal* at: <https://consult.dcceew.gov.au/>

Comments sent after 22 May 2023 will not be considered in preparing the new management plan. All comments will be treated as public documents and may be published on both the Director of National Parks’ website or the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water’s website.

All comments and personal information will be managed in accordance with the privacy policy applicable to the Director of National Parks which is available at <https://www.dcceew.gov.au/parks-heritage/national-parks/parks-australia/privacy-policy>. Your personal information may be disclosed to the Minister, relevant government agencies and where required by law.

Further information on the South-east Marine Parks Network and the management planning process is available via
the website [www.parksaustralia.gov.au/marine](http://www.parksaustralia.gov.au/marine), or via email to SEreview@dcceew.gov.au.

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