

SOUTH COAST MARINE PARK

666. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Climate Action:

I refer to the community engagement strategy for the proposed south coast marine park published on the Department for Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions website.

- (1) Can the minister please specify the formal agreements that were put in place between the DBCA and the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, as referenced on page 6 of the strategy?
- (2) What was the term of these agreements?
- (3) Have any of these agreements been terminated; and, if so, why?

Hon DARREN WEST replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. I provide the following response on behalf of the Minister for Climate Action.

- (1) Arrangements in place between DBCA and DPIRD include, recognition of the legislative responsibilities of both departments under their respective acts; collaboration on the development of marine reserve planning parameters; a commitment to genuine key stakeholder engagement, including the fishing and related industries sectors through the marine reserve planning process; a commitment to engage with traditional owners; and a commitment to consistency in messaging and the management of critical issues.
- (2) These arrangements have no end date; however, they provide for review two years after commencement, which is due in August 2023.
- (3) No.