

Amanda Ronan-Hearn

From: Tash Wheeler [redacted]@tourismwhitsundays.com.au>
Sent: Monday, 24 September 2018 10:03 AM
To: Amanda Ronan-Hearn
Subject: Drum lines in the Whitsundays

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If you could please advise if Fisheries have completed the catching and going to be removing these lines now, or if not, is there anything you can do to have these removed.


Thanks Amanda,
Tash.

Natassia Wheeler

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Sent: Monday, 24 September 2018 5:17 PM
To: Amanda Ronan-Hearn
Subject: RE: Drum lines in the Whitsundays

Importance: High

Hi Amanda,

Just touching base on this issue – see article just released at 4pm – this issue needs addressing asap. I am very concerned for our industry, the impacts of the drum lines continuing are disastrous.

<https://m.whitsundaytimes.com.au/news/six-sharks-destroyed-as-justine-shares-first-word/3532589/>

Kind regards,
Tash.

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From: Cooper Electorate Office <cooper@parliament.qld.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 25 September 2018 9:29 AM
To: Tourism
Subject: FW: Form Submission - Contact Form

Good Morning

Please see below for a non-electorate Tourism matter.

Best wishes

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Amanda Ronan-Hearn

From: Tash Wheeler <[REDACTED]@tourismwhitsundays.com.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 25 September 2018 1:07 PM
To: Amanda Ronan-Hearn
Subject: Keeping you in the loop - my message to Minister Jones

Hi Kate, Tash from TW here. Just dropping you a quick text to update you on our position re drum lines. Happy to chat when you're free if easier.

I have had lengthy discussion with our board today around this issue. We are not going to release a statement however wonder if there is a way any captures can not be reported to the media? Is this an option?

Also, have Fisheries considered any alternative methods of patrolling the area of acid Harbour?

Thanks Kate,
Tash.

Kind regards,
Tash

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