



Reef bioregion: RD Far Northern Open Lagoon Reefs

RD

Bioregion Description

RD & RC2 have highest species diversity of octocorals on the GBR. Small islands and low vegetated isles with fringing reefs as well as near-shore platform reefs. Distinct and species-rich coral communities. Species-rich algal communities. Less fish diversity than RC2. Many turtle sightings.

Existing zoning within bioregion (as % of total bioregion area)			Bioregion area	1,078 km ²
Preservation *	Pink	<1 %	Proportion of the GBRMP	<1 %
Marine National Park 'B' / National Park *	Dark Green	28 %	No-take Zone statistics	
Marine National Park 'A' / Conservation Park	Yellow	2 %	Area of no-take zone(s)	308 km ²
General Use 'B' / Habitat Protection	Dark Blue	67 %	Percent of bioregion	29 %
General Use 'A' / General Use	Light Blue	1 %	Number of no-take zones	7
Island		1 %		

* No-take zones

Reef size distribution

Number of reefs		151
Reef sizes	Smallest	<1 km ²
	Largest	286 km ²
	Average	3 km ²

Area exposed to flooding events 1994 - 98

No recorded event	100 %
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Reef Geomorphology

Planar reef	45 %
Submerged reef	34 %
Reef patch	10 %
Fringing reef	9 %
Crescentic reef	2 %

Biological - this bioregion is known to contain samples of these biological assemblages and/or habitats

Turtle nesting sites

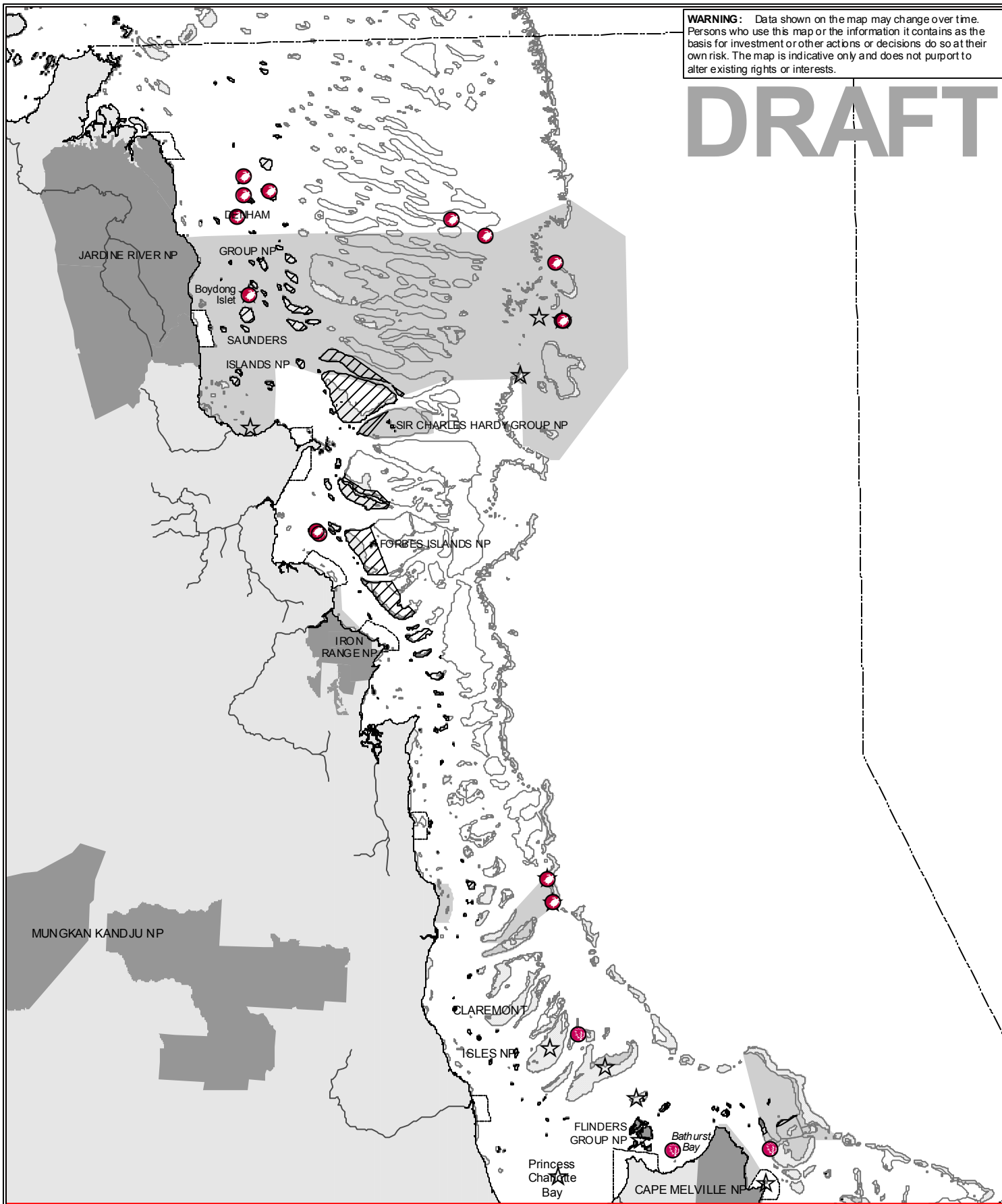
Interim biophysically special/unique sites














Boydong Islet

Bathurst Bay – Flinders Group

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 Bioregion RD	 Reef edge or shoal edge
 Existing no-take zone	 Reef shoal
 National Park (State)	 River
 Interim biophysically special/unique sites	 GBRMP boundary
 Dugong Protection Area	 GBRMP Section boundary
 Turtle nesting site	 Built-up area
 Turtle foraging area	

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