



Non-reef bioregion: NQ Steep Slope

NQ

Bioregion Description

Very steep slope dropping off to depths of 2500+m. Slopes prone to slippages.

| Existing zoning within bioregion (as % of total bioregion area) | | | Bioregion area | 8,779 km ² |
|---|-------------|------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Preservation * | Pink | <1 % | Proportion of the GBRMP | 3 % |
| Marine National Park 'B' / National Park * | Dark Green | 1 % | | |
| Buffer | Light Green | <1 % | No-take Zone statistics | |
| General Use 'B' / Habitat Protection | Dark Blue | 5 % | Area of no-take zone(s) | 92 km ² |
| General Use 'A' / General Use | Light Blue | 94 % | Percent of bioregion | 1 % |
| Island | | <1 % | Number of no-take zones | 5 |
| WHA outside the GBRMP | | <1 % | | |

* No-take zones

Bathymetry

Median depth 1,479 m

Area exposed to flooding events 1994 - 98

No recorded event 100 %

Substrate - Grain size

Gravel dominated area

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

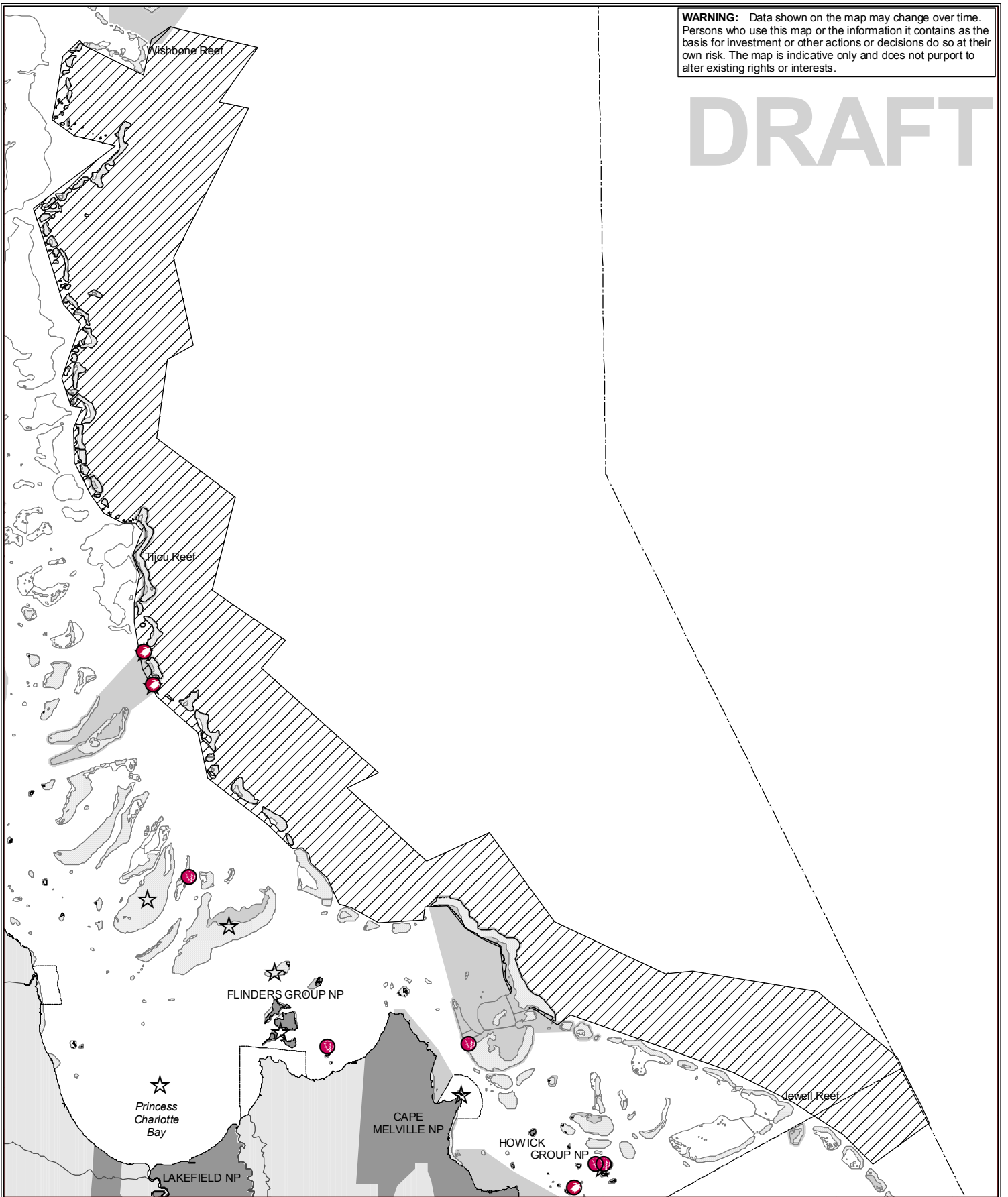
Sponges Turtle nesting sites
Solitary corals
Soft corals
Sea urchins
Sea stars
Sea lillies and feather stars
Sea cucumbers
Jellyfish
Halimeda
Deep water seagrass
Crabs
Bryozoans














Interim biophysically special/unique sites

Sandbank No 7
Sandbank No 8

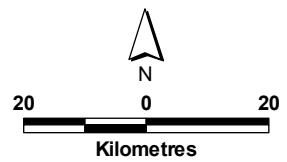
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|  | Bioregion NQ |  | Reef edge or shoal edge |
|  | Existing no-take zone |  | Reef shoal |
|  | National Park (State) |  | River |
|  | Interim biophysically special/unique sites |  | GBRMP boundary |
|  | Dugong Protection Area |  | GBRMP Section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

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