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To: Committee, Public Works (REPS) <pwc@aph.gov.au>

Subject: RSF West priority works

To The Committee,

I wish to submit my concerns, as a West Australian who cares about the environment and protecting what we have ,for future generations.

My concerns are

That Seagrass beds off Garden Island, mapped and assessed by WA Dept of Parks and Wildlife in their 2014 report, and identified ,in line with global environmental findings, as providing an invaluable ecosystem providing food and habitat to marine species, with Seagrass also being assessed as a valuable means of carbon sequestration, are at serious risk from disturbance that will result from dredging and turbidity caused in the preparation and the accessing of any prospective waste storage sites.

A concern relating to the environmental risks related to the manner / route of transportation of waste to storage site

That the marine and greater environment are at risk of any contamination leaking from such storage and a concern at the setting of a precedent of using this vulnerable area as a storage site and the risk of prospective escalation of level of biohazard

With Regards

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