Reef 2050 Long-Term Sustainability Plan

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority
Partnership group

- AgForce
- Association of Marine Park Tourism Operators
- Australian Committee of International Union for Conservation of Nature
- Australian Institute of Marine Science
- Traditional Owners Advisory Group
- Local Government Association of Queensland
- Ports Australia
- Queensland Conservation Council
- Queensland Farmers’ Federation
- Queensland Resources Council
- Queensland Seafood Industry Association
- Regional Natural Resource Management Groups Collective
- World Wildlife Fund for Nature
Vision

“By 2050 the Great Barrier Reef continues to demonstrate the Outstanding Universal Value for which it was listed as a World Heritage Area and supports a wide range of sustainable economic, social, cultural and traditional activities.”
Overarching framework

• **Outcome** — what’s expected by 2050

• **Objectives** — delivered in the medium term

• **Targets** — specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, time-bound and scientifically justified and expected to be delivered in five years by 2020

• **Actions** — measures over the next five years to achieve the targets
Key actions related to tourism – Ecosystem health, biodiversity, heritage

• Establish a baseline for marine debris on the Great Barrier Reef’s islands, beaches and coastlines and reduce debris by 20 per cent from this baseline. (EHA10)

• Develop a guideline on assessing and managing underwater noise on species. (BA13)

• Complete heritage management plans for Low Isles and North Reef light stations. (HA2)
Key actions related to tourism – Community benefits

- Industry, community and governments work together to implement programs...to:
  - implement best practice approaches and certification programs to ensure protection and sustainable use of the Great Barrier Reef
  - maintain visitor satisfaction through high quality presentation and tourism services, including cultural heritage interpretation
  - ensure that tourism and recreation activities are sustainable
  - maintain and apply a contemporary and adaptive set of management arrangements
  - coordinate field management activities for Reef visitors
  - promote voluntary compliance and Reef-friendly behaviour
  - provide adequate and well-maintained visitor infrastructure such as moorings, reef protection markers, island facilities and interpretative signs. (CBA7)
Next steps

1. Consultation
2. Finalising the plan
3. Implementing the plan
   - Integrated monitoring
   - Reporting
   - Reviewing the plan