



THE SENATE

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS REFERENCES COMMITTEE

Algal blooms in South Australia

PUBLIC HEARING
Tuesday 9 September 2025

Brighton and Seacliff Yacht Club
246 Esplanade, Seacliff

Time	Witness
9.30 am	Academics/scientist panel: Flinders University Dr Charlie Huvemeers, Professor University of Adelaide (Submission 40) Dr Dominic McAfee, Marine ecologist and Future Making Fellow Great Southern Reef Foundation (Submission 46) Mr Stefan Andrews, Cofounder Australian Marine Sciences Association (Submission 32) Dr Craig Styan, President, SA Branch Dr Georgina Wood, Vice President, SA Branch
10.30 am	South Australian Government (Submission 71) - Panel 1: SA Department of Premier and Cabinet Mr Chris Beattie, Coordinator Algal Bloom Response Department for Environment and Water and SA National Parks and Wildlife Service Ms Sandy Carruthers, Executive Director, Biodiversity and Nature Economy South Australian Research and Development Institute (SARDI) Prof Michael (Mike) Steer, Executive Director Dr Gretchen Grammer, Acting Research Director, Aquatic and Livestock Sciences Dr Mark John Doubell, Research Scientist (Oceanographer), Oceanography Subprogram Leader Prof Simon Goldsworthy, Marine Ecosystems Program Leader
11.30 am	Break

Committee Chair: Senator Sarah Hanson-Young
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11.45 am	<p>South Australian Government - Panel 2:</p> <p>SA Health Dr David Cunliffe, Principal Water Quality Adviser</p> <p>SA Water Mr David Ryan, Chief Executive Mr Peter Seltsikas, General Manager Sustainable Infrastructure Mr James Crocker, Senior Manager Environment and Energy</p> <p>SA Chief Scientist Prof Craig Simmons, Chief Scientist</p>
12.30 pm	<p>Local Government representatives:</p> <p>SA Coastal Councils Alliance Mayor Keith Parkes, Chairperson Mr Adam Gray, Executive Officer</p> <p>Holdfast Bay Council Mayor Amanda Wilson, Mayor</p> <p>LGA South Australia (Submission 25) Ms Heather Holmes-Ross, President</p> <p>City of Onkaparinga (Submission 18) Mr Phu Nguyen, Chief Executive Officer Mayor Lauren Jew, Acting Mayor</p>
1.15 pm	Lunch break
2.00 pm	Conservation Council of SA (Submission 24) Ms Kirsty Bevan, Chief Executive Officer
2.30 pm	<p>Tourism Panel:</p> <p>Tourism Industry Council South Australia (Submission 54) Ms Siggi Frede, Chair Ms Linda Lacey, Head of Programs and Strategy</p> <p>SA Tourism Commission Ms Emma Terry, Chief Executive Officer</p>
3.00 pm	Break
3.15 pm	<p>Marine user representatives - panel 1:</p> <p>Seafood Industry South Australia (Submission 39) Seafood Industry South Australia Ms Alison Lloyd-Wright, Chair</p> <p>South Australian Northern Zone Rock Lobster Fisherman's Association South Australian Northern Zone Rock Lobster Fishermen's Association Mr Kyriakos (Kyri) Toumazos, Executive</p> <p>Ozfish Unlimited Mr Brad Martin, SA Project Manager</p> <p>Safcol Australia (Submission 63) Mr Ebrahim Bidhendi, Company Director and head of Fish Market Operations Mr Ian Mitchell, Fish Market Manager</p>

3.45 pm	<p>Marine user representatives - panel 2: Australian Southern Bluefin Tuna Industry Association (<i>Submission 53</i>) Mr Daniel Casement, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p>Marine Fishers Association South Australia Mr Pat Tripodi, Executive Officer</p>
4.15 pm	<p>Mr Mark Koolmatrie, Ngarrindjeri Elder</p> <p>Kanyanyapilla Pty Ltd Mr Karl Telfer, Traditional Owner – Burka Senior Man Mullawirra Meyunna (Dry Forest Country – Kaurna Meyunna)</p>
4.45 pm	Adjournment