



THE SENATE

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS REFERENCES COMMITTEE

Algal blooms in South Australia

PUBLIC HEARING
Friday 12 September 2025

Victor Harbor Bowling Club
Flinders Parade, Victor Harbor

| Time | Witness |
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| 9.00 am | Local Industry Panel: Cape Calamari Mr Nathan Eatts Southern Fishermen's Association (<i>Submission 57</i>) Mr Keith Rowling, Executive Officer Southern Rocklobster Limited Mr Thomas Consentino, Executive Officer |
| 9.30 am | Spirit of the Coorong & The Big Duck Boat Tours Mr Joel Hirsch, General Manager Goyder Institute for Water Research and Coorong, Lower Lakes and Murray Mouth (CLLMM) Research Centre (<i>Submission 45</i>) Dr Alec Rolston, Director |
| 10.00 am | Hills and Fleurieu Landscape Board Professor Andrew Lowe, Board Member Adelaide Coastal Councils Network (ACCN) Cr Gretel Wilkes, Chair |
| 10.30 am | Break |
| 11.00 am | Coorong District Council (<i>Submission 14</i>) Mrs Sharon Bland, Councillor Ms Bridget Mather, Chief Executive Officer Alexandrina Council Mr Keith Parkes, Mayor Mr Adam Gray, Executive Officer |

Committee Chair: Senator Sarah Hanson-Young

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| 11.45 am | <p>Kangaroo Island Council (<i>Submission 1</i>) Mayor Michael Pengilly, Mayor</p> <p>City of Victor Harbor (<i>Submission 2</i>) Dr Moira Jenkins, Mayor</p> <p>Kangaroo Island Tourism Alliance (<i>Submission 12</i>) Ms Megan Harvie, Regional Tourism Manager</p> <p>Fleurieu Peninsula Tourism Mr Matthew Hurley, Chair</p> |
| 12.30 pm | <p>Australian Red Cross Society (<i>Submission 30</i>) Ms Sarah Strathearn, Director - South Australia & National Community Mobilisation Ms Emily English, Senior Manager - External Engagement</p> |
| 1.00 pm | <p>Local community representatives Mr Anthony Rowland, Surfer</p> |
| 1.30 pm | <p>Ngarrindjeri Regional Authority Ngarrindjeri Regional Authority & Kuti Co Mr Derek Walker, Board member, Ngarrindjeri Regional Authority, and Managing Director, Kuti Co Ngarrindjeri Regional Authority Inc & University of Technology Sydney, Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research Sydney, Australia Mr Steve Hemming, Associate Professor Ngarrindjeri Regional Authority Inc & Kuti Co Pty Ltd Mr Luke Trevorrow, Vice Chair of the Ngarrindjeri Regional Authority & Executive Officer of Kuti Co</p> |
| 2.00 pm | <p>Academic panel The Society for Ecological Restoration Australasia (<i>Submission 50</i>) Ms Anita Thomas, Chair University of Adelaide (<i>Submission 8</i>) Dr Luke Mosley, Associate Professor University of South Australia (<i>Submission 127</i>) Dr Freya Higgins-Desbiolles, Adjunct Senior Lecturer</p> |
| 2.45 pm | Adjournment |