Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to questions on notice **Environment portfolio**

Question No: 203

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Programme: Director of National Parks

Topic: When will parks become operational

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Senator Siewert asked:

- 1. When does the Government plan to make the Commonwealth Marine Reserves which have had their zoning set aside pending the Review, operational on the water?
- 2. Has the Department received any instructions as to when the marine parks should become operational?

Answer:

- 1. New Management plans will be developed following the finalisation of the review. The Section 366 of the EPBC Act requires that management plans are prepared "as soon as practicable".
- 2. No.