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Senator Waters asked:

Has the Department received any instructions or correspondence from Minister Hunt's office telling the Department not to approve any offshore dumping in the GBRMP, or telling you that he won't be approving any?

Answer:

No. The Minister for the Environment is responsible for making decisions on approval under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and the *Environment Protection (Sea Dumping) Act 1981*. Refer to answer for Supplementary Budget Estimates Question 103 for further detail on dredge management.