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Senator Waters asked:	

Would BOM characterise the MWQD as a "receiving water model"?

Answer:

The Marine Water Quality Dashboard is not a receiving water model. It presents actual observations of water quality derived from satellite imagery. A receiving water model would estimate water quality by modelling the transport of pollutants from a source into the receiving water body.