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Answers to questions on notice  
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**Senator Waters asked:**

Has anyone from GBRMPA raised the lack of explicit load reduction targets with

- a. the Department?
- b. The Minister?

**Answer:**

There are explicit load reduction targets in place through Reef Plan and now reflected in Reef 2050 and in regional Water Quality Improvement Plans that are continually being improved as our science and understanding improves. The Minister, through the Great Barrier Reef Ministerial Council, and the Department, through its role on the whole of government groups that manage the implementation of Reef Plan, are working with the Queensland Government, Industries, Natural Resource Management Bodies, non-government agencies and the science community to support and implement actions to achieve these targets.