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Senator Whish-Wilson, Peter asked:

What communications has the department had with Tasmanian departments about addressing the Conservation advice from 2012?

Answer:

The Department worked closely with the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment (DPIPWE) on the development of the Conservation Advice for the Giant Kelp Marine Forests of South East Australia ecological community, including development of the management, research and conservation actions. While the Department is in regular contact with DPIPWE on threatened species and ecological communities matters, this ecological community has not been a recent focus.