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Restoring South Australia's oceans, for this generation and those to come.

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A new Liberal Government will invest to save our seas, with a generational, nature-based plan to clean our oceans, rebuild ecosystems, and protect South Australia's marine life and coastal livelihoods.

These measures include; delivering practical measures such as investing in voluntary marine buybacks, restoring 50 hectares of new shellfish reefs across South Australia, undertaking a Royal Commission into the Algal Bloom, and world heritage listing the Great Australian Bight.

We will stand shoulder to shoulder with our coastal communities, and we will make sure independent scientists are at the table - because some of the brightest minds in South Australia sit outside government, and their expertise must be part of the solution. We all share the hope that future generations will grow up knowing an ocean that is vibrant, alive, and protected.

Our identity and way of life is inextricably linked to the health of our waters, but right now our coastlines are in crisis.

The ongoing harmful algal bloom has devastated marine life, threatened jobs, and hit our fishing, aquaculture, and tourism industries hard. Similar events overseas show that recovery can take years without decisive intervention.

This is the first step toward a long term, large-scale program to restore South Australia's ocean health.

Healthy oceans aren't just an environmental priority, they are an economic one.

This is part of our plan for safer suburbs and stronger communities.