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Every community needs clear guidelines, regulations and sensible timelines for waterways and users, so pollution, overcrowding, and unacceptable practices are kept to a minimum. Eg living aboard rules, repair times and where to anchor. Education of waterway users is a key principle. I like the idea of a main body to check overall goals and plans but local knowledge is essential and regular community consultation a must. Having that done moves to the point of policing and maintaining this standard. Rules with no consequences are not going to be kept. Waterways are a Qld asset in many many ways providing income, tourist dollars, mental health of residents and festival/ water venues. We need a standardised overall plan tempered with local expertise and compassion for those living there already. Not just the wealthy or most aggressive parties to become only their playground. Well thought out management, considering the above, is essential for our planet as well.