

Question on Notice

No. 1923

Asked on Thursday, 28 November 2019

MR S O'CONNOR ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE GREAT BARRIER REEF, MINISTER FOR SCIENCE AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (HON L ENOCH)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister detail any consideration given to the inclusion of the Broadwater's Curlew Island (south of Wavebreak Island) into the Moreton Bay Marine Park to protect the endangered migratory birds who call it home for half the year?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for the question.

I am advised that the Department of Environment and Science is aware of proposals from community organisations and individuals requesting an extension of the Moreton Bay Marine Park (MBMP) south to protect migratory shorebirds on Curlew Island and surrounding intertidal areas.

The upcoming review of the zoning plan for the MBMP is the appropriate process to consider the feasibility of extending the marine park to include Curlew Island. This will be examined against a range of factors, including the potential for other land management arrangements suitable for the protection of the Island's environmental values to be used.