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## Stop the Toxic Tide: Marine Plastics Report Released

The first Australian, and first in the world, plan to combat the multiple sources of marine plastic pollution will be released in Brisbane today by the Boomerang Alliance

The Plan aims to cut the pollution by 70% by 2020 through effective solutions.

The amount of plastic in Australian waters is MUCH worse than previously thought – in the order of 1.7million tonnes.

Much of that is invisible to everyday Australians; broken into microplastic and sunk to the bottom of our ocean where it is destroying our marine life and contaminating our food.

In total, there are some 192.2billion pieces of plastic in the Australian Marine Environment.

Annually between 90-130,000 tonnes of Australian plastic waste enters the ocean which includes, about 863 million plastic bottles, 275 million plastic bags, 10 million plastic products and 8 billion+ synthetic cigarette butts.

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**TURN BACK THE TOXIC TIDE**

Please join us to  
**Launch**  
our  
**Threat Abatement Plan**  
To reduce 70% of Australia's plastic pollution entering the ocean by 2020.

- Guest Speakers
- Presentations
- Threat Abatement prospectus
- Drinks & Canapés

Wednesday 30th November 6pm - 8pm  
@ Wandering Cooks, Corner Cordelia St and Fish Lane, South Brisbane

**RSVP: by Wednesday 23rd November**  
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