



### Media Release

## **Surfrider Foundation Surf Coast release video *Microplastics – the silent killers in our seas***



Surfrider Foundation Surf Coast have launched an eight minute education video which highlights the presence of Microplastics locally.

**MICROPLASTICS – THE SILENT KILLERS IN OUR SEAS** is one of the first education videos in Australia designed to inform surfers and the broader community about the threats of Microplastic in our oceans and waterways.

The video was produced by Torquay filmmaker John Foss: *“Microplastics are the silent killers in our oceans. We know that each day thousands of seabirds and marine creatures die from ingesting plastic. This video highlights the presence of microplastic and other plastics at Thompsons Creek near Torquay.*

*We were surprised at how much domestic and industrial plastic found its way into this remote creek near Point Impossible. Of even greater concern is the amount of plastic we found near the Karaaf Wetlands that is home to tens of thousands of migratory birds each year.*

*People need to reduce their use of plastic and industry needs to take greater responsibility for microbeads, nurdles and other microplastic entering our oceans.”*

The video can be found by following this link – <https://vimeo.com/224264752>

The video was produced with support from the PMF Foundation.

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