

Australian Fisheries Management Riddled with Failures?

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A new book by Australian environmental scientist and policy analyst Jon Nevill concludes that Australia's fisheries management system is riddled with failures, with lax enforcement of federal regulations failing to stop destructive over-fishing. The book is entitled *Overfishing Under Regulation*.

It contains case studies which show Australia's management of important environmental reforms for fisheries "is at best incompetent, and at worst dishonest". The author claims that his research showed destructive fishing practices in Australia, which ranged from by-catch by commercial trawling fleets to the impacts of recreational spear-fishing, were not being seriously addressed. In particular, the book accuses the Australian Federal Government of providing "false and misleading information" in a 2002 report on the orange roughy fishery which "had the effect of under-playing" environmental damage and unsustainable levels of fishing." More

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