



**The following is feedback from participants who attended the workshop for monitoring and mapping seagrass habitats in North East Arnhem Land, Northern Territory, 18–20 October 2008.**

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***I found the Seagrass-Watch training to be....***

- ..great thing and good job
- ..great thing learnt and to do as work
- ..enjoyable, informative
- ..educational and very thorough
- ..very informative

***What I enjoyed most about the training was....***

- ..the information provided
- ..practical sessions, enjoyed company/relaxed & light environment
- ..keeping watch for crocs
- ..crossing a 1.5m creek at 6:30pm in the afternoon
- ..field assessment and background info during PowerPoint presentations
- .. new appreciation and greater knowledge of species and importance of the seagrass beds

***It could have been better if....***

- ..there was more rangers to help out
- ..the tides weren't too late!
- ..the ties were better
- ..more of our group turned up along with other ranger groups
- ..Paul had more funny videos
- ..more rangers made the commitment to take control of their country (and their weren't more of em like PJ)

***I did not realize that***

- ..Seagrass-Watch was so well entrenched across the world. Well Done!!
- ..seagrass contributed so extensively to the marine ecology
- ..I was riskin my life crossing a muddy creek
- ...Enhalus males flowers floated to the ♀ plant and not the pollen
- ..seagrass was so cool!

### ***Now I understand that....***

- ..seagrass is cool
- ..monitoring would be very beneficial to our region
- ..seagrass is such a good indicator of health
- ..we need to plan very carefully how to go about collecting and monitoring of seagrass resources using SW protocols

### ***When I go back to my area, I will***

- ..encourage further mapping and monitoring for the area
- ..encourage a full map of our IPA and develop the awareness of seagrass importance
- ..tell vanessa to monitor the grass properly
- ..spread the word

### ***Other comments***

- ..thankyou Len
- ..PJ is a fantastic skipper
- ..Len is a fantastic lecturer
- ..Neil is a fantastic organiser
- ..Paul is a fantastic pain in the \*\*\*
- ..Angela is a fantastic chick all around
- ..Ness is a fantastic facilitator



***Thank you***