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Dear Ms Cohen

INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATH OF DANIEL M MILES

Thank you for your letter of 3 June 2016 to the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change regarding the Coroner's investigation.

The Minister appreciates you raising this matter with her. However, the *National Parks Act 1975* does not apply to the entire Victorian coastline and prescribing conditions related to persons using Victorian parks would have limited effect on the safety of persons engaged in rock fishing.

The Minister for Agriculture, as the Minister responsible for fisheries, including the recreational fishing licence system, is better placed to respond to the Coroner's recommendation regarding this matter. To ensure appropriate attention, I have forwarded your correspondence to the office of the Hon Jaala Pulford MP, Minister for Agriculture, for her consideration.

The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning will work with the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources and other relevant agencies in the Agriculture portfolio, to explore options to resolve this matter.

Thank you again for your letter.

Yours sincerely

Ian Porter Chief of Staff

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