

UPDATE ON MARSA ABU DABBAB

Letter from Red Sea Diving Safaris ref the Commercial Development of Marsa Abu Dabbab

Dear Jeff,

I would firstly like to begin by thanking you for your efforts to protect the bay of Marsa Abu Dabbab.

Mr. Hossam has been personally monitoring the situation in Marsa Abu Dabbab and we are pleased to announce that we have made significant progress. HEPCA has decided to pull out of the project and are planning to move their research center south to either Hamata or Abu Ghussun.

Concorde group is currently building their planned resort, but for the time being the plans to expand the bay have been halted.

The Red Sea Rangers, HEPCA, the CDWS, and many other organizations and individuals have rallied together against the proposed changes to the bay. There is too much at stake for all of us and we have a vested interest in protecting the precious marine life of Marsa Abu Dabbab. Just a few days ago we have spotted 2 dugongs and I have attached the photos for your info.

The rangers have initiated a full monitoring program of the dugongs in the south in order to begin compiling data and reports for further lobbying and research.

For now we must continue to raise awareness and get the information out to as many people as we can. I would like to thank you again for all your support and efforts.

Best regards,

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