

# How you would design an optimal PA network taking all the 'values' into account

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## The truth about 10%, 17% and "half"

- 1. What does nature need?
- 2. But when will we know we have enough?

3. What do need for ecosystem services? There will be trade-offs – triple bottom line?



### More Aichi targets

- 1. Representation target
- 2. Management effectiveness target
- 3. What do we need for ecosystem services?



#### Solution

# We go on, and on, and on, and on, ... until the world stops falling apart





- 1. In systematic conservation planning the whole is more than the sum of the parts
- 2. The basic principles of designing a traditional protected area system
  - 1. Representation
  - 2. Adequacy (includes viability, connectivity etc.)
  - 3. Efficiency
- 3. The importance of prioritising actions, not places Marxan with zones
- 4. The core assets (values) are species and habitats
- 5. We can include other values, e.g. ecosystem services such as: carbon, food provision, social equity and water
- 6. But there is no win-win, we have to accept trade-offs; zoning helps



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# Which rock did Hugh crawl from under?

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- Fellow, Australian Academy of Science
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