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I write to you to express my concern and opposition at the recent proposal of Dublin Port to undertake a dredging project that will see 9.7 million tonnes of dredge waste into Dublin Bay.

I am a recently qualified Open Water Diver and I have always had a love of the ocean. There is another world down there. Although it may not seem obvious when looking from above, there are whole other species and true beauty. It is alive down there. It hurts me to think that someone could care so little to just destroy it with rubbish. Not only will it hurt and affect all the living organisms but it is dangerous for divers and swimmers like myself. I have only just qualified as an Open Water diver which is just a first level qualification. Visibility in Irish waters is not the greatest but to be faced also with extra objects and who knows what else is definitely a danger to me. I can't believe that in this day and age people are happy to take an 'out of sight out of mind' approach to this problem. There must be another solution. We should be preserving the worlds natural habitats not willingly destroying them.

Yours sincerely,

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