
End to sand mine

THE Greens have vowed to use their possible new Senate balance of power to force an early end to sand mining on North Stradbroke Island.

The party says it will move to amend mineral export laws after the election so the new Government can block the export of sand from the island.

Last month, the State Government announced sand mining on the island would be phased out by 2027 and 80 per cent of the island converted to national park. However, *The Courier-Mail* revealed that the island's biggest mine, Enterprise, would continue to operate on a long-expired lease.

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