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TOO MANY FEET

Scenario

A large crowd has gathered on the beach to watch a pod of dolphins frolicking in the river near the bridge. As the dolphins move back out to sea the crowd follows. The dolphins continue to play and feed on the edge of the Barwon Bluff rock shelf. Consequently hundreds of people gather and wander about the rock pools, and over the dunes and cliffs. The Parks Victoria Ranger is beside herself! She is really worried about the Marine Sanctuary .

Activities:

- Explain why you think the Parks Ranger is so concerned. Support your argument with evidence and examples.
- In pairs or in a group list the ways such a large crowd may affect the Marine Sanctuary. Would whether it was high or low tide make a difference? How?
- Write a song, a poem or design a poster to promote a better understanding of the impact humans can have on the coastal environment.
- **Research:** Are there laws to protect the Marine Sanctuary from the affects of humans? Draw up an action plan to prevent or manage a similar situation.

