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The Department of Environment has concluded an in-water survey of coral reef damage caused by the anchor chain of the 300-foot yacht *MV Tatoosh* within the West Bay Replenishment Zone. The assessment report detailing the Department of Environment's findings is expected to be completed in the coming week. Initial figures place the damaged area at 1,200 square meters (13,800 sq. ft.) with 80% of the coral within that area destroyed. Investigations into the circumstances of the incident are ongoing with the assistance of staff of *MV Tatoosh*.



Reef damage site.