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**Subject:** Protection of biodiversity at Teahupo'o during the 2024 Olympics

The village of Teahupo'o, famed for its mythical waves, will host the surfing competition at the 2024 Olympics.

Located in the south-west of Tahiti in French Polynesia, Teahupo'o is home to a pristine natural area called Fenua 'Aihere, where the lagoon can regenerate thanks to the large reef pass. It is also this that creates the strong swell.

To host athletes and spectators, certain facilities are planned. It is absolutely essential that these facilities do not harm the marine biology.

The area was severely affected by floods in May 2023, which has made it more fragile.

We need to take great care to ensure that any development is in keeping with the preservation of the environment and protected areas.

In the Commission's view, can enhanced protection measures be put in place to ensure the sustainability of this natural area?

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