

Coast Protection Board Meeting

September 2023

Key outcomes

The Coast Protection Board held Meeting 502 on 8 September 2023 at DEW, 81-95 Waymouth Street, Adelaide. The approved minutes will be released on the Board's website following its next meeting on 20 October 2023.

Key outcomes from Meeting 502 included:

- **Regional Coastal Council Engagement – Southern & Hills LGA Presentation:** The Executive Officer of SHLGA, Mr Graeme Martin, was invited to present to the Board, highlighting region specific coastal issues faced by the four councils with coastline, Alexandrina, Kangaroo Island, Victor Harbor and Yankalilla. This region has very high seasonal visitation rates as well as high population growth rates which are putting pressure on housing and local services. The coast is the key visitor experience and the region has boom cycles, with the static population not representative of overall coastal use. Graeme advised that as councils are preparing coastal adaptation plans they are seeking evidence-based data on climate change in relation to sea level rise, adaptation planning and health impacts.
- **Climate Science Advisory Committee Update:** On 15 August 2023, the Climate Science Advisory Committee held its second meeting. Professor Bronwyn Gillanders provided an update to the Board on the outcomes from the meeting in which key discussions focused on the draft information sheet on sea level rise and vertical land movement. The Committee discussed the new presentation of data by NASA in decadal periods which highlights the increasing rate of rise over each decade. The Board requested the Committee to present its conclusions at the December Board meeting.
- **Vehicles on Beaches Update:** The Board received an update on the 'Vehicle on Beaches' project and resolved to support any restrictions of vehicles access to specific beaches proposed by the Minister for Climate, Environment and Water, using section 34 of the *Coast Protection Act 1972*.
- **Adelaide Beach Management Review:** The Board received a verbal update on the Adelaide Beach Management Review. Consultation on the shortlisted management options will be received from 18 September 2023 to 15 October 2023 with an information session for key stakeholders to be held on 27 September 2023. The Board requested a briefing on the options be provided at its 20 October 2023 meeting.



- **Pipeline issues at Glenelg Beach:** The Board received an update on regional and metropolitan beach management. The Board sought further clarification on the delays to the sand pumping at Holdfast Shores system. They also noted that sand management at Henley Beach had ceased due to Hooded Plovers nesting. An update on stakeholder communication and engagement was also provided.
- **Coastal Flood Mapping Viewer:** The Board received a briefing on the updated information proposed for release on the Coastal Flood Mapping Viewer managed by DEW. Coastal flood hazard mapping for the Eyre Peninsula and Limestone Coast regions is currently available on the viewer. The Board has invested in completing coastal flood mapping for Yorke Peninsula, Fleurieu Peninsula and Kangaroo Island as well as improved flood mapping for all regions. This data is currently being finalised and will be released onto the viewer in the near future.
- **CPB Relationships Radar update:** The Board has updated the relationships radar to include the Office of Hydrogen Power SA and the insurance industry and also discussed how best to engage with Landscapes Boards in SA. The Board discussed potential engagement with research providers with Prof B Gillanders agreeing to provide an overview on coastal related research being undertaken by University of Adelaide at the December Board meeting.
- **CPB & DEW Workshop:** The Board received an update on the outcomes of the CPB/DEW facilitated workshop and noted the Priorities Working Group is meeting at the end of September to discuss priorities and assign budgets for 2023-24 the Board to consider at its October meeting.

