

Southern Coastal Management Program Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: Tuesday, 29 March, 2022
Location: Council Chambers, Microsoft Teams
Time: 4.00pm

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Agenda

1. **Apologies**
2. **Confirmation of Minutes**
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3. **Declarations of Interest**
4. **Presentations**

SC22.1 Lake Conjola CMP - Project Update

Royal HaskoningDHV will be presenting to the Committee on a project update of the Lake Conjola CMP. The Committee will hear about how the project is progressing through from Stage 2 to Stage 3. This will include:

 - Identification of environmental, physical, social and cultural assets and attributes;
 - Review of coastal hazard extents, identification of existing threats;
 - Matters of interest in six key "themes"
 - Threat and asset based risk assessment
 - Where to next?
5. **General Business**

Membership

Clr White (Chairperson)
All other Councillors (Non Voting)
CEO or nominee

Community representatives:-

Monica Mudge
Jackson Green
Adam Crossley
Michael Brungs
Dirk Treloar
Allan Carle

Government Agency representatives:-

Local Aboriginal Land Council
NSW State Emergency Services
Department of Planning, Environment and Industry (DPIE)
Other relevant Government Agency representatives

Quorum – Three (3) provided that a minimum of the Chairperson and two community representatives are present.

Purpose

The principal objective of the Southern Coastal Management Program Advisory Committee is to assist Shoalhaven City Council in the development and implementation of one or more Coastal Management Program plans for the southern area of the Council. This will need to be in accordance with the NSW Coastal Management Manual. The southern area applies to the following coastal areas and estuaries:

- All Council managed beaches from Lake Conjola entrance in the north, reaching to the southern boundary of the Shoalhaven LGA in the south – North Durras Beach Lake Conjola
- Narrawallee Creek
- Mollymook
- Ulladulla
- Burrill Lake
- Lake Tabourie
- Lake Willinga
- Shoalhaven Urban and Rural estuaries

Role

1. To assist the Council in the development and implementation of the coastal management programs for the areas listed under 'Purpose' (see above);
2. To assist the Council monitoring and assessing the effectiveness of the management program during and after its implementation;
3. To assist the Council providing input into known coastal event(s) and erosion behaviour as part of the Coastal Management Program;
4. Provide and review scientific advice and integrate this knowledge into the preparation and review of the Coastal Management Program; and
5. Facilitate broader community consultation and participation in coast and estuary management through informing and liaising with member community groups.

MINUTES OF THE SOUTHERN COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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The following members were present:

Clr Patricia White - Chairperson
Ms Monica Mudge – joined at 4:44pm
Mr Adam Crossley
Mr Michael Brungs
Mr Dirk Treloar
Mr Michael Roberts - Manager - Environmental Services – (CEO Nominee)

Others Present:

Nigel Smith – Coastal Management Program Coordinator
Chris Adamantidis - Advisian
Daniel Wiecek – NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
Helen Wheeler – NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment – Crown Lands
Simon Williams – NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment – Crown Lands – joined at 4:11pm
Tracy Provest - Ulladulla SES – left meeting at 5:45pm
Luke Moroney – Coastal Project Officer
Carla Ganassin - NSW Department of Primary Industries – Fisheries
Cameron Whiting – Eurobodalla Shire Council– joined at 4:14pm
Adrian Turnbull – Royal Haskoning DHV - joined at 4:50pm – left meeting at 6:34pm
Greg Britton – Royal Haskoning DHV - joined at 4:50pm – left meeting at 6:34pm

Apologies / Leave of Absence

Apologies were received from Clr Findley and Allan Carle.

Confirmation of the Minutes

RESOLVED (Michael Brungs / Dirk Treloar)

That the Minutes of the Southern Coastal Management Program Advisory Committee held on Wednesday 17 March 2021 be confirmed.

CARRIED

Mr Adam Crossley gave a Welcome to Country.

Declarations of Interest

Nil

REPORTS

SC21.4 Shoalhaven Beaches Asset Management Strategy Progress Report - Southern

**HPERM Ref:
D21/423965**

Chris Adamantidis – Coastal Engineer, Advisian – presented the Shoalhaven Beaches Asset Management Strategy report prepared by Advisian to the meeting.

Key points:

- The project has been jointly funded by DPIE & Council to look at all beach accessways throughout the Shoalhaven LGA and prioritise access ways for repairs and/or improvements.
- Council manages over 220 beach access points at 40 beaches throughout the LGA.
- Each area has been identified with condition rating, indicating what is recommended or required for improvement.
- Key issues affecting accessways in the north are wind erosion, beach erosion especially at Shoalhaven Heads as well as informal access paths - people creating own accessway where there is no existing accessway, or multiple access points for the one area that could be consolidated to a single accessway.
- Common issues identified across the Shoalhaven were:
 - erosion at the base of accessways
 - stormwater erosion
 - slope instability
 - maintenance/vegetation encroachment
 - damage to dune vegetation and the spread of weeds
 - lowering of base of the accessways relative to surrounding dune
 - difficult or remote access
 - creek bank erosion

A number of accessways at the beaches in the south were identified as having issues, for example:

- Tabourie - one section of the accessway has collapsed and needs to be repaired;
- Collers Beach – has no existing formal accessway. This could be formalised so that Council recognises the accessway and maintains it.
- Warden Head – accessway is overgrown and in need of maintenance.
- Mollymook Beach – issues with storm water runoff and scour.

Adam Crossley – enquiry into cultural significance consideration of the area, as to whether that component had been addressed in the assessment criteria.

Chris Adamantidis – response; desktop GIS assessment considered, observed sites documented. Further assessment not included. Michael Roberts - Manager - Environmental Services – advised

the implementation of recommendations would require formal assessment including an AHIMS search and consultation with Indigenous representatives.

Tracy Provost - Ulladulla SES asked if there was any consideration given for tsunami evacuation access as part of the Shoalhaven Beaches Asset Management Strategy.

Michael Roberts - Manager - Environmental Services - advised that as the project moves forward Council will liaise with the SES regarding storm and tsunami evacuation access plans that can be incorporated into the Strategy.

Recommendation

That the Committee:

1. Receive this report for information;
2. Recommend consultation through the CMP process for Council endorsement of implementation of closure of coastal access track actions from the report; and
3. Recommend to allow implementation of actions including maintenance, upgrades and repairs of coastal access tracks outside of the CMP process.

RECOMMENDATION (Dirk Treloar / Michael Brungs)

That:

1. The Committee receive this report for information;
2. A copy of Advisian’s report be provided to all committee members for further consultation;
3. The Committee recommend consultation through the CMP process for Council endorsement of implementation of closure of coastal access track actions from the report; and
4. The Committee recommend to allow implementation of actions including maintenance, upgrades and repairs of coastal access tracks outside of the CMP process.
5. In accordance with [MIN21.656](#) from the Ordinary Council meeting of 28 September 2021, the full report be given to Councillors as per the Recommendation.

CARRIED

SC21.5	Update on the Open Coast and Jervis Bay Coastal Management Programs	HPERM Ref: D21/438764
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Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That the Committee receive the report on the status of the Open Coast and Jervis Bay Coastal Management Programs for information.

RESOLVED (Michael Brungs / Dirk Treloar)

That the Committee receive the report on the status of the Open Coast and Jervis Bay Coastal Management Programs for information.

CARRIED

Note: Adrian Turnbull and Greg Britton joined the meeting at 4:54pm.

SC21.6	Update on Lake Conjola Coastal Management Program (CMP)	HPERM Ref: D21/421978
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Mr Adrian Turnbull – Royal Haskoning DHV made a presentation to the meeting.

Dirk Treloar and Mike Brungs on behalf of the Lake Conjola community proposed the following amendments be made to the overarching Vision and Purpose for the Lake Conjola CMP:

Proposed amendment to the overarching Vision:

“We care for and protect Lake Conjola so that current & future generations continue to be refreshed & inspired by their coastal experience while ensuring the physical safety and wellbeing of the Lake Conjola community and visitors”.

Proposed amendment to the overarching Purpose:

“To develop a plan for the future management of Lake Conjola that ensures the physical safety and wellbeing of the Lake Conjola community and visitors while acknowledging the principles of ecologically sustainable development for the social, cultural and economic well-being of the people of the Shoalhaven”.

Mr Greg Britton - Royal Haskoning DHV also made a presentation to the meeting. Discussion took place on the Entrance Management Options proposed by Royal Haskoning. Feedback from the Committee was to keep options 1, 3, 4 & 5 of the proposed options.

The Royal Haskoning DHV presentation will be distributed to members after meeting.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That the Committee receive this report on the status of the Lake Conjola Coastal Management Program for information and support the provision of a presentation from the consultant.

RESOLVED (Michael Brungs / Dirk Treloar)

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CARRIED

Note: Tracy Provost – Ulladulla SES left the meeting during discussion of item SC21.6 – Update on Lake Conjola Coastal Management Program.

Note: Adrian Turnbull, Greg Britton left meeting after discussion of item SC21.6 – Update on Lake Conjola Coastal Management Program.

SC21.7 Coastal Zone Management Plan Progress Update

**HPERM Ref:
D21/438419**

- Michael Roberts - Manager - Environmental Services - breakdown of progress provided; some actions set up are ongoing will be marked as complete and rolled over to CMP where appropriate.
- DPIE advised that there is currently an application to NSW Parliament for the CZMPs to be extended for 2 years.
- If the extension is granted, the actions that were ongoing but not yet complete won't be required to be completed in the October 2021 – January 2022 timeframe.
- If the extension is not granted, the CZMP would cease to have effect. This would mean that in order for Council to apply for funding under the DPIE Coast & Estuary Program, a certified coastal management program would need to be in place. Any significant management actions from the CZMP would require approvals and assessments to be completed by end of this year.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That the Committees:

1. Note the progress of the Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP), certified by the NSW State Government in 2018; and,
2. Note the expiration date of the Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP), at the end of the calendar year of 2021.

RESOLVED (Michael Brungs / Monica Mudge)

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2. Note the expiration date of the Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP), at the end of the calendar year of 2021.

CARRIED

SC21.8 South Mollymook Coastal Protection Progress Report

**HPERM Ref:
D21/397817**

Michael Roberts - Manager - Environmental Services provided an update to members.

- The design of the seawall to be constructed in front of Mollymook Golf Club is currently in tender stage.
- Council is working very closely with Mollymook Golf Club throughout the design process.
- Once the design is decided on it will be shared with the CMP Committee, Council and stakeholders.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That the Committee acknowledge:

1. South Mollymook Coastal Protection Design and Approvals Tender advertisement September 2021.
2. Council is investigating funding partnership from Mollymook Golf Club for the construction component.
3. In the interim, Council will continue to monitor and maintain the existing structures by implementing emergency action sub plan under the Coastal Zone Management Plan (CZMP) for the Shoalhaven Coastline 2018.

RESOLVED (Dirk Treloar / Monica Mudge)

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2. Council is investigating funding partnership from Mollymook Golf Club for the construction component.
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CARRIED

SC21.9 Additional Item - Upstream Onsite Detention / Retention Opportunities - Blackwater Creek

During discussion of item SC21.8 - South Mollymook Coastal Protection Progress Report, Dirk Treloar asked if upstream onsite detention / retention type opportunities had been explored in relation to the new land release areas upstream of Blackwater Creek, Mollymook. This was one of the recommendations that had been put forward by Royal Haskoning. Michael Roberts – Manager - Environmental Services advised that he would investigate and provide the answer to the committee members.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 6:48pm.

Clr Patricia White
CHAIRPERSON