



NSW Coastal Council

NSW Coastal Council Meeting – summary minutes

30 May 2022

Meeting was held in person in Kingscliff, NSW, to coincide with the 29th NSW Coastal Conference.

The Minister for Local Government, the Hon Wendy Tuckerman MP, attended with her Chief of Staff, Damien Jones.

Coastal Council members in attendance:

- Annelise Tuor, Chair
- Kate Brooks
- Pam Dean-Jones
- Martijn Gough
- Shay Simpson
- Bruce Thom AM

Apologies were received from: Associate Professor Hannah Power and Department Planning and Environment representatives Michelle Fletcher and Bruce Coates.

Members were welcomed to the third meeting of the Coastal Council (the Council) for 2022. The main agenda items include a general discussion of coastal management matters with the Minister for Local Government, the Hon Wendy Tuckerman MP; and, Council's 2021-22 Work Plan report on opportunities for the coordinated management of NSW estuaries to assist local government Coastal Management Programs.

Minister Tuckerman – a general discussion of coastal management matters in NSW

- Minister Tuckerman joined the meeting in person. The Minister was welcomed by the Council Chair before being introduced to each Council Member. Members summarised their contributions to specific work plan tasks completed over the past year.
- Specific matters discussed with the Minister included:
 - The Coastal Management Act Review.
 - Opportunities for improving coordinated management of the state's estuaries to support local government CMPs
 - The role of economic analysis in supporting the strategic intent of the Coastal Management Act and local government Coastal Management Programs
 - identification and mapping of coastal vulnerability areas
- The Minister acknowledged the work of the Council, welcomed the opportunity to speak in person on a range of coastal matters, and expected Council's 2022-23 Work Plan to be advised shortly. The Minister and her staff departed the meeting.

Council's 2021-22 Work Plan update

- Task 2-2021: Provide advice on opportunities to improve the coordinated management of estuaries when preparing and implementing Coastal Management Programs.

The report identifies opportunities to strengthen the coordinated management of estuaries through improved understanding of the strategic intent of CMPs for estuaries; stronger partnering and information sharing between state and local government to facilitate timely

delivery of estuary-focused CMPs; and, improved fit-for-purpose communications for increased community awareness of the importance of coordinated management of estuaries and their catchments. Members discussed the draft report, proposed recommendations and steps to finalise Council's advice for the Minister by June 2022.

Submission of the Task2-2021 Report will mark the completion of Council's 2021-22 Work Plan.

Kingscliff Beach Site Visit and Local Government Meeting

The meeting was followed by a site visit to Kingscliff Beach for a presentation on the history of shoreline erosion, performance of the coastal protection works since their construction in 2017 and benefits to the local community and for tourism. Council members also met with officers from Tweed, Byron, Ballina and Rous councils to discuss a range of coastal management issues and progress on their respective Coastal Management Programs.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of Council is scheduled for 26 July 2022.