

Media Release

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CAPE TO CAPE RESILIENCE PLAN IN ACTION

Victoria's largest dune reconstruction at Inverloch is being delivered under the Cape to Cape Resilience Plan that to help protect and restore the local coastline making sure our beaches are safer and more resilient for the future.

Minister for Environment Steve Dimopoulos today released the Cape to Cape Resilience Plan that provides a long term plan to protect vulnerable coastline between Cape Paterson to Cape Liptrap and how the government will respond to erosion.

The \$5.3 million works, funded by a \$3.3 million grant under the Albanese Labor Government's Coastal and Estuarine Risk Mitigation Program is combined with an additional \$2 million from the Allan Labor Government to help managing coastal hazard risks in the immediate future.

Guided by the new Cape to Cape Resilience Plan, large-scale dune reconstruction and beach nourishment project at Inverloch will commence in February 2026 and be completed by June.

Over 4,500 truckloads of sand will be pumped along the beach, where it will be used to rebuild the dune and beach between Wreck Creek to east of the Inverloch Surf Life Saving Club building.

The Cape to Cape Resilience Plan is a coastal hazard adaptation and resilience plan for the coastline between Cape Paterson to Cape Liptrap, outlining responses to risks such as rising sea levels, coastal flooding, storm surges and the impact of erosion across future decades.

The Government has partnered with the Bass Coast and South Gippsland community and nine land management agencies, including Bunurong Land Council Aboriginal Corporation, to identify the impacts on our coasts and how erosion impacts how Victorians enjoy our beaches to help shape the Cape to Cape Resilience Plan.

The Cape to Cape Resilience Plan provides long-term planning and enables informed management decisions ahead of time, so the right steps can be taken to prevent further erosion and protect our coast and communities for years to come.

To access the final Cape to Cape Resilience Plan visit, marineandcoasts.vic.gov.au.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Environment Steve Dimopoulos

"This plan was shaped by years of listening to the community and working together to find the best ways help protect our coast erosion."

"We know how much locals love Inverloch Beach and our focus is on managing the risks that come with erosion and making sure it can continue to be enjoyed by the community for years to come."

Quotes attributed to Member for Bass Jordan Crugnale

"We value the many years of community input along with extensive research, studies, modelling and coastal engineering expertise that has shaped the plan and guided the adaptation pathways."

"We will undertake Victoria's largest dune reconstruction project as the first stage to restore the beach we locals and visitors love about Inverloch."

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