

Coast Protection Board Strategic Plan 2009-2014

Vision

The sustainable use of the South Australian coast, for the benefit of society, the economy and the environment.

Strategic priorities

1. Adaptation of existing development to coastal hazards and the impacts of climate change

Actions:

- 1.1 Support the implementation of the *National Climate Change Adaptation Framework 2007*, in particular, the acquisition of the national coastal DEM and coastal vulnerability assessment.
- 1.2 Assist Governments prepare coastal vulnerability assessments and adaptation plans.
- 1.3 Assist Local Government devise, prioritise and implement protection strategies for coastal settlements.
- 1.4 Provide advice to the Minister, Government, local government and the community on adaptation of coastal development.

2. Ensure new development is not at risk from current and future hazards

Actions:

- 2.1 Ensure that coastal development occurs consistent with the hierarchy of adaptation: avoid, accommodate, adapt.
- 2.2 Seek increased powers to control development potentially at risk from coastal hazards.
- 2.3 Maintain the currency and relevance of Coast Protection Board policies, including allowances for sea level rise, by reviewing as appropriate.
- 2.4 Seek the Government's adoption and inclusion of these policies in South Australia's development control system.
- 2.5 Better engage with the emergency management sector to exploit areas of joint interest regarding the impacts of climate change on coastal development
- 2.6 Prepare guidance for planning authorities, developers and the community on appropriate landscapes and criteria for specific types of development (i.e. marinas, ports, boat ramps).
- 2.7 Provide advice to the Minister, Government, local government and the community on sustainable coastal development.

3. Plan for resilience in coastal ecosystems to adapt to the impacts of climate change

Actions:

- 3.1 Engage with planning authorities in developing land use frameworks, Planning Strategies and Development Plans that recognise and allow for adaptation (including retreat and migration) of tide-dependent ecosystems.
- 3.2 Ensure that development does not create additional pressures on at-risk ecosystems.
- 3.3 Provide advice to the Minister, Government, local government and the community on sustaining coastal ecosystems.