

Coastal Management Program - Coastal Hazards August update

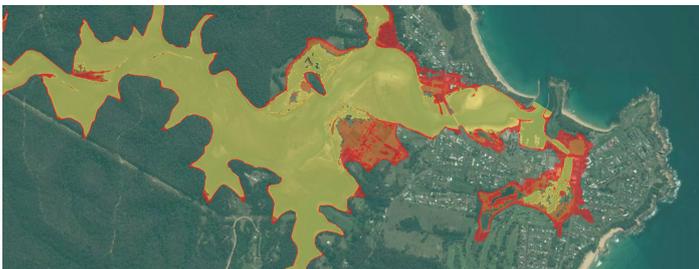
July was a busy month for the **Coastal Management Program - Coastal Hazards** project. Consultants from the UNSW Water Research Laboratory have been working through the Shire wide coastal hazard mapping that was concluded in 2015; identifying exactly what the impacts of large coastal storms could be, and how these impacts are predicted to change in the future.

Late in July community information sessions were held in Bermagui, Tathra, Merimbula and Eden to talk about the Coastal Management Program, and to give the community a chance to come in and look over maps identifying areas that are potentially affected by coastal hazards.



Community information drop-in session in Eden

All of the coastal hazard maps are now available on the project website, so if you didn't get a chance to drop in to an information session, you can take a look at the maps here: <http://begavalley.wrl.unsw.edu.au/index.php/coastal-management-programs/coastal-hazards/hazard-maps/>



Bermagui coastal inundation hazard map

We've also been running a survey to find out what the community loves about our beaches, and how we should be managing coastal hazards along our coast in the future.

It's not too late to **fill out the survey** - it will be running until August 27th, you can jump on to the project website if you would like to participate. We can also be contacted via the website if you have some suggestions on coastal hazard management.

Later in the year we will be holding another round of project information sessions for the community. In the meantime take a look at the frequently asked questions section, and other useful information available on the project website:

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Coastal Management Program - Coastal Hazards **Recap**

Coastal processes such as waves, tides and storms can lead to coastal hazards that impact our coastline and estuaries. The risk of some coastal hazards is predicted to increase with ongoing changes to the climate, in particular shoreline erosion and inundation of low-lying land.

Council is currently developing a new Coastal Management Program to address coastal hazards across the Shire and provide a pathway for future work to improve our coastal environment, reduce risks to natural and built assets, and maintain the value of this stretch of the NSW coast.



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