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Coastal reforms - Planning for our future on the coast

I refer to the above and provide this submission on behalf of Port Macquarie-Hastings Council.

Port Macquarie-Hastings Council (PMHC) appreciates the opportunity to comment and encourages the NSW Government to continue with community and council consultation on the coastal management reforms at all key phases including any future deliberations on legislation, regulations, policy and guidelines.

PMHC supports the principles of the coastal management reforms which recognises the importance of providing an integrated coastal planning framework whilst also ensuring that a streamlined and balanced approach to the development of the coastal areas is realised. The following specific comments are provided in relation to various aspects of the draft coastal management SEPP and accompanying maps.

The 100m perimeter area proposed for coastal wetlands is supported. Waterbodies feeding into identified sensitive lakes / coastal wetlands should also be afforded some protection. Buffer zones proposed in the proposed State Environmental Planning Policy should be able to be reviewed to take climate change effects into consideration.

The mapping does not contain any mapping layer which distinguishes the Sensitive Lakes as listed in Schedule 1 of the draft SEPP. The lakes listed in Schedule 1 of the draft SEPP should be mapped.

The mapping does not contain any mapping layer which distinguishes the Coastal Lakes as listed in Schedule 2 of the draft SEPP. The lakes listed in Schedule 2 of the draft SEPP should be mapped.

The Littoral Rainforest and Wetland mapping should be based on the vegetation mapping undertaken by PMHC. This information was previously supplied to Thomas Sewell on 31 March 2016 via email. This mapping should be used as the basis for mapping Littoral Rainforest and Wetland areas within the PMH LGA. This information can be provided again upon request should it be required.

Recent residential subdivision has been undertaken at Ocean Drive Lake Cathie (Lots 1 & 2 DP 1225210). The Proximity Area for Littoral Rainforest should be removed on these lots.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Please contact the Jesse Dick on 6581 8629 or by email jesse.dick@pmhc.nsw.gov.au should you wish to clarify any aspect of this submission.

Yours sincerely



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