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**Subject:** Coastal Management SEPP - Wetland Map Amendments

**Attachments:** Coastal Management SEPP Wetland Mapping Amendments - Macarthur St to

James Ruse Dr.jpg; Coastal Management SEPP Wetland Mapping Amendments - James Ruse Dr to Camellia Peninsula.jpg; Coastal Management SEPP Wetland Mapping Amendments - Eric Primrose Reserve.jpg; Coastal SEPP Wetlands Map Amendments - Ermington Bay.tif; Mangroves - Macarthur St to Parra Ferry Terminal.jpg; Mangroves - James Ruse Dr to Carlingford Railway Bridge.jpg;

Mangroves - James Ruse Dr to Macarthur St.jpg

**Categories:** Submission, Map change request

Hello,

Please find attached and below suggested changes to the coastal zone mapping for the City of Parramatta LGA. We are also currently considering whether to submit a response to the text of the draft coastal SEPP.

Inclusion of all land within 100m of the Mean High Water Mark of the Parramatta River (and tidal tributaries) as 'Coastal Use Area' and 'Coastal Environment Area' is supported as it will help to ensure that these waterways are important consideration in assessing nearby future development and landuses. It also recognises the importance of the wetland communities (Mangroves / Saltmarsh / Mudflats) that fringe large portions of tidal waterways in the City of Parramatta and comprise a significant proportion of mangroves remaining along the Parramatta River.

## **Coastal Wetlands**

The current mapping has excluded patches of mangroves (some including saltmarsh) in the upper reaches of the tidal area and needs to be updated to ensure that these are captured (see attached maps & photos).

### **Coastal Wetlands Proximity Area**

This has generally been applied as a 100m buffer (consistent with the principle applying to 'Coastal Use Areas' and 'Coastal Environment Areas'; however there are a number of inconsistences in the section of Parramatta River between James Ruse Driver and Macarthur Street (see attached map). This buffer needs to be applied consistently to all wetlands within the City of Parramatta LGA.

## Rangihou Reserve Saltmarsh

Council has successfully expanded the area of saltmarsh in Rangihou Reserve in partnership with previous NSW Government Grant funding. Coastal Wetlands mapping in this reserve needs to be amended to include the saltmarsh expansion area (see attached map).

#### **Ermington Bay**

Ermington Bay contains intertidal mudflats that provide important estuarine habitat for wading and non-wading birds and the 'Proximity Area' should apply to the entire bay (see attached map).

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