



COASTAL MANAGEMENT

WACRA's Coastal Management Group advocates on issues affecting the coast in order to preserve, protect and enhance the environment for current and future generations of residents.



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Coastal Sand Replenishment Project

- Recent Rockingham St dunes replenishment from Torrens Outlet
- Department of Environment and Water / Coast Protection Board “Securing the Future of Our Coastline” Strategy to protect / rebuild West Beach
 - Interim carting of sand from Semaphore / Largs to West Beach in Spring 2020 to resume this month through Autumn (34,000 m³ from breakwater, 20,000 m³ from between Semaphore & Largs jetties, 6,000 m³ from breakwater to Semaphore South + additional sand from North of Largs Jetty if needed)
 - Proposed mass fill of 500,000m³ from external sand source (\$20m allocated)
 - Proposed pipeline from Semaphore to West Beach connecting to existing pipeline from Torrens Outlet (\$28.5m allocated)

- Coastal Reference Group established by DEW/CPB
 - WACRA + 21 other resident groups
 - Have considered principles for alignment, now working on above ground infrastructure
 - DEW has appointed McConnell Dowell / Tonkin consortium – will present concept plan to CRG on 18 May

- Impact Assessment sub-group was established to review consultants' report on economic, social & environmental impact of:
 - Interim carting – report was unsatisfactory
 - Proposed pipeline – Doug Lord (Coastal Environment) & Dr David Wainright (Salients) report to be presented to CRG 18 May

- WACRA agrees that West Beach is an urgent problem and interim carting is necessary but unconvinced that pipeline is best long-term solution, so:

- Called on CPB to

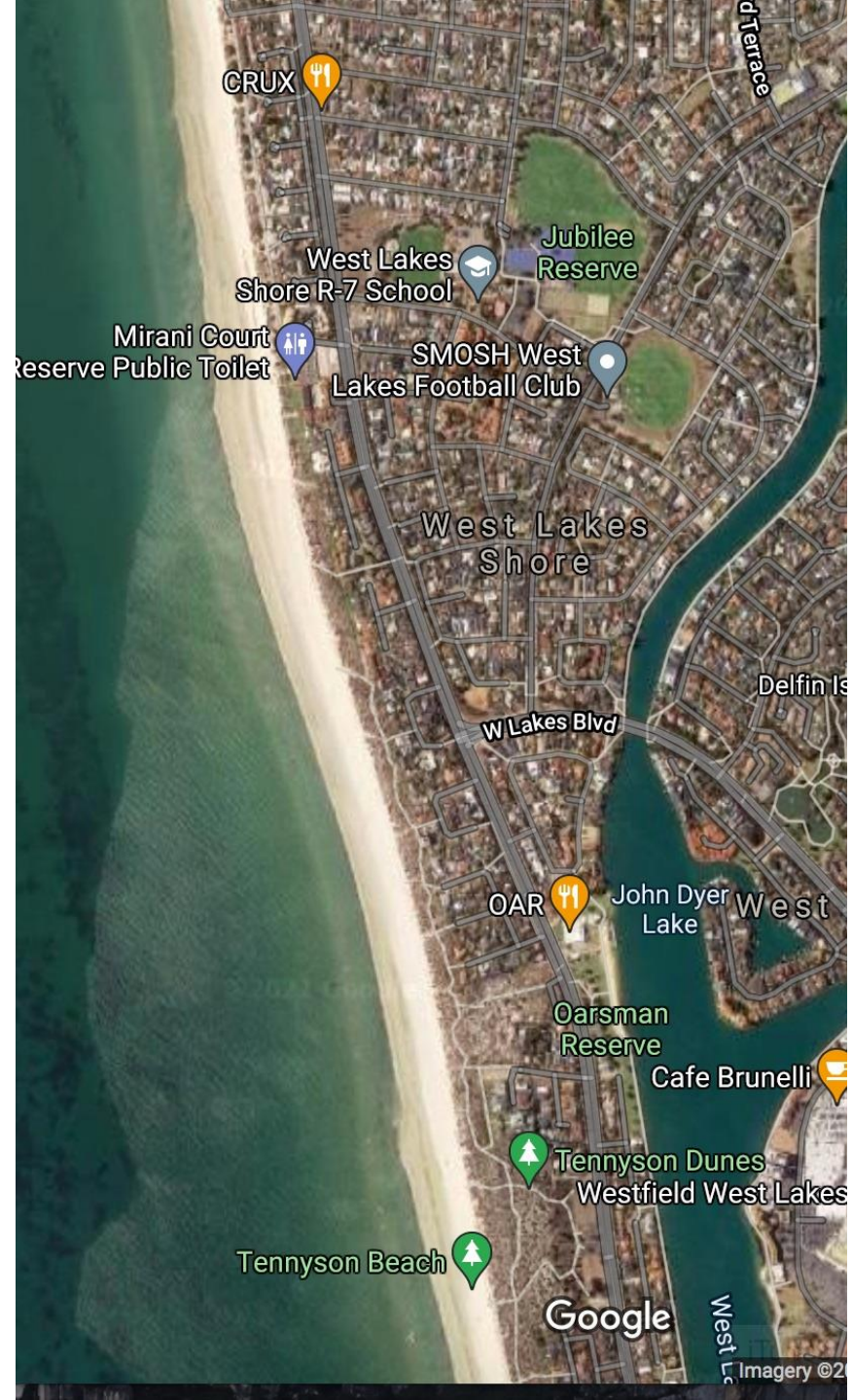
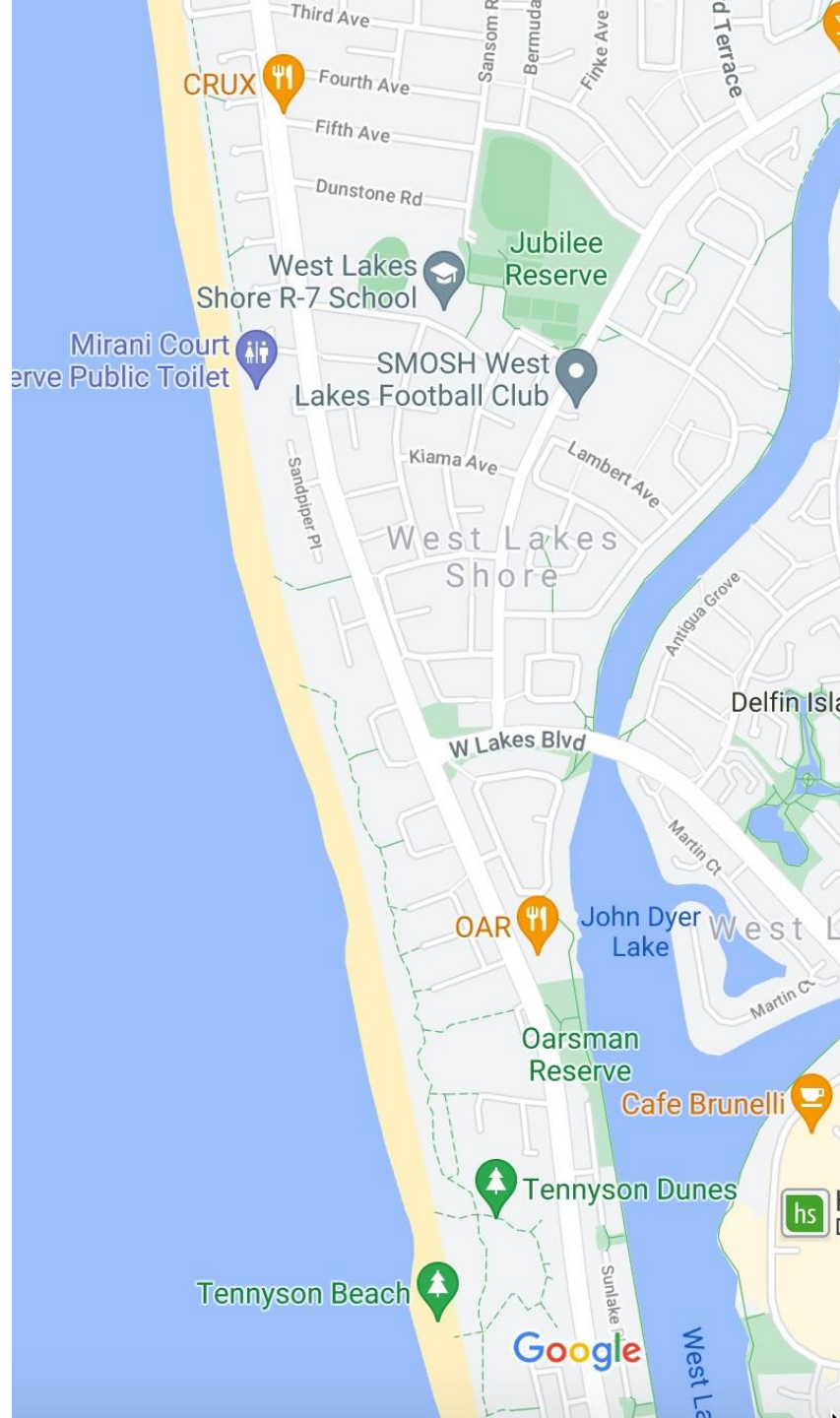
- create a new Metropolitan Beaches Management Plan (last one was 1985) with full research, consultation and transparency
- conduct audit of Adelaide Living Beaches strategy
- conduct an EIS

- WACRA met with head of CPB twice but no positive outcome
- Port Stanvac sand not available. Options are offshore Section Bank (environmentally sensitive) or quarry sand (expensive)
- Meanwhile 250,000m³ of quarry sand to be delivered to West Beach this year
- WACRA will continue lobbying via CRG. DEW also working with Semaphore and West Beach/Henley Beach South working groups



Coastal Linear Pathway

- Linear Park- Grange to Semaphore Park (Stage One: 'North') Project
- Several meetings have occurred with WACRA, WEDGE (Wild Endangered Dunes Group), Sandpiper Dune Care Group and Tennyson Dunes Group
- The groups are concerned about the ambiguity of the project including the exact pathway location, the size and composition of materials used for the path and the potential environmental impact
- The Minister has stated that Stage 1 North, extends from Third Ave Semaphore Park to the edge of Wara Wayingga Tennyson Dunes Conservation Reserve
- Stage 2 extends from the edge of Wara Wayingga Dunes Conservation Reserve to Terminus St Grange



- Letter was sent to Minister for Planning and Local Government, Vicki Chapman on 22nd February seeking clarification re:
- Where Stage 1 starts and finishes?
- When will the Dept. provide the exact location and alignment for Stage 1?
- When will the Construction Environmental Plan for Stage 1 be made public?
- When is construction commencing?
- How will consultation occur between our groups and local Council?
- The above questions have also been requested for Stage 2
- A meeting with the Minister and one representative from each the above groups is planned for tomorrow. Stay tuned!!!!



Parliamentary Inquiry into
Coast Protection Board

- Environment, Resources & Development C'ttee Jan 2021
 - Structure, functions & powers
 - Authority of the CPB under *Planning, Development and Infrastructure (General) Regulations 2017*
 - How protection and development in coastal areas should be managed, including
 - Managing community & stakeholder expectations
 - Evidence-based decision making
 - Review or appeal of decisions
- WACRA lodged 12 page submission on 19 March 2021 (see WACRA website) & hope to be called to present to the C'ttee soon