

# STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Mayor and Councillors  
**FROM:** Murray Staite  
**DATE:** 2 June 2009  
**SUBJECT:** **Torrent Bay Sand Replenishment Rate**

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## **Purpose**

This report is prepared to allow council to consider amending the Torrent Bay Replenishment Rate from that contained in the Draft Ten Year Plan 2009/2019.

## **Background**

During the last year there has been considerable beach degradation at Torrent Bay. Remedial work to correct this degradation was undertaken late last year but was not completed at the southern end.

Some 5,000 cubic meters of additional sand was required at this location to restore the original beach profile. Given the costs of mobilising equipment instead of adding just the additional 5,000 cubic meters the proposal was to add 10,000 cubic meters of sand

## **Discussion**

With additional work being required and given the urgency of the situation council staff contacted as many members of the torrent bay community committee as could be possibly brought together at short notice. Staff met with eight members of the committee and, after reviewing the situation and various options their unanimous agreement was that urgent action was required and the best possible outcome would be achieved by adopting the proposal involving a further 10,000 cubic meters of sand. This has resulted in additional costs over and above those contained within the Draft Ten Year Plan 2009/2019 and are proposed to be split 50:50 with the residents

## **Rating Impact**

The rating impact is described in detail in the table overleaf.

## **Torrent Bay Beach Rebuilding and Maintenance Calculations (Indicative cost)**

1.	Cost to <b>rebuild</b> (2008/09)	\$ 160,000	
2.	Half cost to Torrent Bay residents	\$ 80,000	
3.	Torrent Bay resident's share per annum if recovered over 5 years	\$ 16,000	
4.	Annual share for each of 12 private foreshore rating units		\$ 666.67
5.	Annual share for each of 40 other rating units		\$ 200.00
6.	Expected <b>Maintenance</b> cost over 3 years	\$ 120,000	
7.	Half cost to Torrent Bay residents	\$ 60,000	
8.	Torrent Bay resident's share per annum over 3 years	\$20,000	
9.	Annual share for each of 12 private foreshore rating units		\$ 833.33
10.	Annual share for each of 40 other rating units		\$250.00
Therefore each resident's payment towards the target rate for the first 5 years will be a sum of the rebuild cost and the maintenance cost i.e.			
Sum 4. & 9.	Total share for each of 12 private foreshore rating units for the first 5 years		\$ 1500.00
Sum 5. & 10.	Total share for each of the 40 other private rating units for the first 5 years		\$450.00

After five years with the initial works paid off the rate would reduce to \$833.33 per annum for the foreshore residents and \$250.00 per annum for the non-foreshore residents.

The assumption noted above is based on best information available but will be reassessed on an annual basis

### **Significance**

The introduction of the proposed rate is not considered significant in terms of Council's Significance Policy.

## **Recommendation**

That Council incorporates into its Final Ten Year Plan 2009/2019 the following amended rates.

Council sets a rate for the purpose of reinstating and maintaining the beach at Torrent Bay. This rate will be set on a uniform basis of each rating unit and will be set in relation to where the land is situated, being the Torrent Bay Beach Replenishment rating areas "A" and "B". (Maps attached). The rate per rating unit for 2009/2010 is:

Area "A" – \$1,500.00 including GST

Area "B" - \$ 450.00 including GST

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