

New Entrance Management Plans for local estuaries

Kempsey Shire is home to more than 70km of stunning coastline, including a number of estuaries.

Estuaries have a special place in the lives of most Australians for their natural beauty, wildlife habitat and opportunities for recreation and employment. In our shire, many people choose to live near estuaries or take their holidays there.

Council is developing new Entrance Management Plans for the estuaries at:

- Saltwater Creek, South West Rocks
- Back Creek, South West Rocks
- Korogoro Creek, Hat Head
- Killick Creek, Crescent Head

The coastal lakes and lagoons at these sites naturally open and close to the ocean and are technically known as intermittently closed and open lakes and lagoons (ICOLLS).

Council is responsible for managing ICOLL entrances, including artificially opening them where this is required to mitigate flooding or improve water quality.

Want to have your say?

We are seeking your help to develop our new Entrance Management Plans.

Visit [Your Say Macleay](#) to find out more about the project and complete the survey. Feedback will be open from Monday 9th August – Monday 30th August.

Write an **independent submission** and post it to Kempsey Shire Council, PO Box 3078, West Kempsey NSW 2440.

To request paper copies of the survey and workshop information, please call 6566 3200 or drop into our Customer Service Centre or Kempsey Library.

This project is being undertaken as part of the broader Coastal Management Program (CMP) for the Kempsey Shire Council Local Government Area Coastal Zone. The project is initiated by Kempsey Shire Council and is funded jointly through Council and the NSW State Government Coast and Estuary Grant Program.