

COASTAL SOLUTIONS FORUM 2003

PROGRAM

8.40 – 9.00	Registration and morning coffee
9.00 – 9.15	Framing the Problem Councillor Bob Spencer <i>Sutherland Shire Council Chair - Port Hacking Management Panel</i> An issues survey will be handed out to participants
9.15 – 10.15	Can we better use private rights to protect the public commons? 1 Jessica Simpson <i>Solicitor—Environmental Defenders Office NSW</i> 2 Kathy Ridge <i>Solicitor—Phillips Fox</i>
10.15 – 10.30	Morning Tea
10.30 – 11.30	Can we use markets where markets don't yet exist? 1 Professor Robert Marks <i>Professor of Management Australian Graduate School of Management</i> 2 Caroline Davies <i>Director of Regulatory Innovation—Environmental Protection Authority NSW</i>

11.30 – 12.30

How can we create a regulatory framework for estuaries?

1 Paul Martin
*Chair—Southern Catchment
Management Board*
2 Susan Calvert
*Director of Rural and
Regional Policy—DIPNR*

12.30 – 1.30

Lunch

1.30 – 2.30

How can we get a fully credible and effective governance approach for estuaries?

1 Prof. Bruce Thom
Chair—Coastal Council of NSW
2 Jeremy Dawkins tbc
*Associate Professor
Centre for Developing Cities
University of Canberra*

2.30 – 3.30

How do we get effective voluntary protection of natural and social values of estuaries?

1 Melissa Bradbury
Coastcare Manager—DIPNR
2 Sally Ash
*State Conservation Partners
Coordinator—NPWS*

3.30 – 5.00

Participating in preserving social and natural values of estuaries: resolution of issues - developing ideas

Moderator—**Les Robinson**
Social Change Network

Includes Afternoon Tea

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Background

Drawing on the Port Hacking case study, The Estuary Forum 2002 documented the challenges faced in managing coasts and estuaries, including:

- A** the ongoing transfer of use-value from the public and the less wealthy to the most wealthy;
- B** the loss of opportunity to enjoy relatively unspoiled areas, in ways that reflect and preserve their "natural-ness";
- C** the incremental erosion of the biophysical integrity and natural values (e.g. sub-aqua and foreshore ecology);
- D** the effective subsidisation of these processes through public funds (e.g. dredging, armouring);
- E** the lack of accountability to achieve policy goals to redress such issues.

The Coastal Solutions Forum 2003 will focus on how these challenges can be met, in particular:

- 1** Making regulation more effective (including different ways of defining and managing property interests);
- 2** Using markets and incentives to meet social and environmental policy goals;
- 3** Different ways of ensuring the harm doers to the environment meet the full costs of that harm
- 4** Innovative ways to use voluntarism to support social and environmental objectives
- 5** Market based trading systems to manage issues like seagrass degradation and crowding of fore shores and waterways with private facilities
- 6** Achieve social goals including the effective recognition of Aboriginal interests, providing for the needs of the less advantaged, and
- 7** Better ways of balancing and managing different types of recreational use, such as impact-costed use licences or differential rights of access.

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Sustainable estuaries and coasts? Its going to take a LOT of new ideas



This Forum aims to find practical, innovative approaches to the pursuit of sustainability and equity of access in estuaries and coastal areas.

If you participate you will come away with:

- 1** A clear and concise suite of strategies, outlined by experts, and supported by specific illustrations of their application in one threatened estuary (Port Hacking);
- 2** Your own ideas far better developed, through practical engagement in shaping a strategy using a host of the most up to date ideas for natural resource strategy;
- 3** A great network of experts and contacts on whom you can draw to shape your own strategies for your own coastal or estuarine area.

Who should attend ?

- ◆ Those who love oceans or estuaries
- ◆ Those who study them or their management
- ◆ Those who have an interest in sustainability
- ◆ Regulators, economists, bureaucrats
- ◆ Anyone who is keen on creating a better future by using better ideas.

Visit <http://ssec.org.au/coastsf2003/index.htm> for **free** downloads of important issues, policy and strategy documents and the latest Forum information

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COASTAL SOLUTIONS 2003

**It is time to create the future
we want for the estuaries
and oceans we love**

Join us at this forum to put forward innovative ideas and help generate practical tools for more effective coastal management.

Chairs: Prof. Bruce Thom
Coastal Council of NSW
Paul Martin
Southern Catchment Board

15 November 2003

**Gunnamatta Pavilion
Gunnamatta Park**

Cronulla