## Media Release



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## Works underway to repair erosion damage at Anglesea access ramp

Work has started on a project to repair the Anglesea Caravan Park beach access ramp and surrounding land, which has been undermined from severe coastal erosion.

The \$100,000 works, funded by the Victorian Government's Coastal Environments Program through the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) and the Great Ocean Road Coast Committee, started this week and will be completed in time for Christmas.

The works will be delivered by DELWP and experienced coastal contractors Maw Civil Pty Ltd.

DELWP Senior Environmental Planner Frances Northeast said: "These works are essential to protecting the cliff area following severe erosion over the past two years.

"The cliff continues to erode and poses an unacceptable public safety risk particularly with increased visitation over the coming holiday period. It's critical that we continue to manage community access to these much loved areas of the coastline, while addressing cliff erosion and the associated safety issues."

"A 20-tonne excavator and dump truck will transport rocks to the work site to build the rock wall and back-fill with sand.

"The rock revetment has been designed by coastal engineers AW Maritime who has considered the local cliff geomorphology and sea and wave conditions," Ms Northeast said.

Great Ocean Road Coastal Committee Coastal Reserves Manager Caleb Hurrell said: "The beach access ramp will also be repaired to maintain safe pedestrian access to the beach. These works will reduce further erosion and make the area safe and accessible for the community."

The works will see the closure of parts of the 4 Kings Carpark and exclusions to some sections of the beach to allow for truck movements.

DELWP and Great Ocean Road Coastal Committee thank the community in advance for their patience and understanding.

The Great Ocean Road Coastal Committee is planning further discussions with the community about the longer-term management options at this site in early 2017.

For further information about the project, visit www.gorcc.com.au