

Media Release



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Reference group sought for coast plan

The Great Ocean Road Coast Committee (GORCC) is seeking Expressions of Interest from anyone passionate about the coast to be part of a Community Reference Group for the creation of a new Coastal Management Plan.

The Community Reference Group will provide input and feedback throughout the development of the Coastal Management Plan, which will guide management of GORCC coastal reserves over the next five years and beyond.

GORCC CEO Richard Davies said the Plan would identify the actions required for sustainably managing our coastal reserves and setting out a framework for achieving their implementation.

“The Plan will identify a long term vision for the coast, covering every element of coastal management from access to infrastructure to environmental protection and everything in-between.

“The Community Reference Group is one of the ways we will be collaborating with the community to identify what we all value about the coast, and how we should protect and manage those values into the future,” he said.

The Community Reference Group will comprise representatives from key community groups and the general public, and will meet at key points during the process.

“Members will be sought to ensure a cross section of different perspectives and interests amongst the community is represented,” said Mr. Davies.

Mr. Davies said GORCC would be offering a variety of other ways for the community to participate in the creation of the Plan, ranging from postal and online surveys to workshops.

“If joining a Community Reference Group isn’t for you but you would like to have your say, stay tuned, because from mid-October we will be offering a range of ways for everybody to have input into the Plan,” he said.

To access further information about the Community Reference Group and its Terms of Reference visit www.gorcc.com.au or call GORCC office on (03) 5220 5055.

Expressions of Interest for the Community Reference Group close on Friday 16th September at 5pm.

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