

# Media Release



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## Great Ocean Road Coast Committee 2016-17 budget announced

The Great Ocean Road Coast Committee (GORCC) 2016-17 budget has been announced with both coastal reserves and caravan parks receiving significant investment over the next financial year. The Great Ocean Road Coast Committee (GORCC) is a not-for-profit organisation that manages 37km of public land and coastline from Torquay to Lorne. Great Ocean Road Coast Committee Chief Executive Officer Richard Davies said all dollars raised through GORCC's operations are reinvested back into the coastal environment, caravan parks and the community.

Mr Davies said that GORCC's environment and education programs will be expanded this year with a budget of \$275,000, with more opportunities offered to schools and caravan park guests over summer. A budget of \$1.125m will go to environmental and infrastructure works in the coastal reserves, including:

- Works to address erosion issues at Demon's Bluff and Point Roadknight at Anglesea.
- Path upgrades at Torquay
- Upgrades to Split Point Lookout at Aireys Inlet
- Works at Queens Park and Erskine Paddock at Lorne.

"We will also continue to invest in important long-term project such as the Great Ocean Road Memorial Arch Master Plan, Point Roadknight Coastal Adaptation Project in Anglesea and the Lorne Foreshore Master Plan."

More than \$1.3 million will go to improvements GORCC's caravan parks at Lorne and Torquay.

"Our ongoing investment will see continued improvement to these family-friendly caravan parks in the heart of the Great Ocean Road coastal environment," said Mr Davies.

Works funded at the Lorne Foreshore Caravan Park include:

- Upgrades to Queens Park; Erskine river park amenities block and camp kitchen; cabin upgrades; and road sealing.

Some key projects at Torquay Foreshore Caravan Park include:

- Central camp kitchen redevelopment; new pergolas, barbecues and other amenity improvements; road sealing; picnic tables, playground upgrades and further security improvements.

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