



Narungga Country

Nha marni
Guuranda
Nharangga Banggara
Nharangga dhura

Wardang Island Sea Country IPA



Narungga Country

Guuranda (Yorke Peninsula)

One Nation – Four Clans

Sea Country people – Butterfish Mob



Sea Country Indigenous Protected Areas (IPA) Program

- Australian Government – Oceans Leadership Package
- Increase the area of sea and coastal areas in IPAs
- Strengthen conservation and protection of Aboriginal Heritage, and marine and coastal environments
- Create employment and economic opportunities for Indigenous people
- Expands Wardang Island IPA (1 of 10 projects)



Fig 1. Proposed Sea Country expansion to Wardang Island IPA



Wardang Island Sea Country IPA Expansion



- Narungga people are working to protect their connections to Country, storylines and songlines
- Focus on Heritage protection and cultural obligations

Partners and Stakeholders

- Point Pearce Aboriginal Corporation
- Narungga Nation Aboriginal Corporation
- Nharangga Aboriginal Progress Association
- Northern and Yorke Landscape Board
- Landholders – State Government, private, and Local Government including Yorke Peninsula Council



Wardang Island Sea Country Expansion



- Activities include
 - pest plant and animal control both coastal and marine
 - access management
 - surveillance
 - environmental monitoring
 - research

Cultural significance of beaches and dunes

- Burial sites
- Fire and camp sites
- Middens
- Springs, soaks and wells
- Tools
- Trade artefacts





Yorke Peninsula Council – Coastal issues

- Sand dune degradation (loss of protective native vegetation cover exposing sand, resulting in sand drift) and potential resultant degradation to Narungga Heritage, due to:
 - Vehicle use (including development of tracks) and camping
 - Camper's & beach user's pedestrian activity including:
 - Toileting
 - Photography
 - Seeking mobile reception
 - Playing i.e dune sliding etc

Coastal issues (continued)

- Impacts to wildlife such as beach-nesting birds (known nesting of Hooded Plovers)
- Beach compaction (as a result of vehicle use)
- Ocean pollution
- Mismanaged camp fires
- Potential introduction of weed species



YPC Coastal Management Strategy

- The Coastal Management Strategy provides **community-supported** directions and actions for coastal open space (either owned by or under the care, control and management of Council), providing guidance on the most appropriate ways to enhance **opportunities for coastal access and recreation in balance with landscape, heritage and biodiversity protection.**

YORKE PENINSULA COUNCIL

COASTAL MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

2022



IPA Opportunities

- Planning
- Mentorship
- Working together on actions identified in Coastal Management Strategy, and Northern and Yorke Landscape Board's Coastal Management Action Plan, for land within the IPA
- Fee-for-service opportunities including weed control and revegetation
- Application of by-laws on Council land



Importance of beaches and dunes to Councils

- Councils have responsibility for many of SA's beaches & dune fields
- Huge amount of cultural significance
- Speak to your First Nation representatives
- Narungga people (and other First Nations) have a cultural obligation to tend to Country
- Work together



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(thank you)

