



# Newsletter

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## Geelong City Deal projects in Colac Otway Shire

The [Geelong City Deal](#) is delivering three major infrastructure projects funded by the Australian Government along the Colac Otway Shire coastline at Apollo Bay, Kennett River and Skenes Creek.

The City Deal is a 10-year plan to revitalise Geelong and unlock the potential of the Great Ocean Road economy. The Australian and Victorian governments, together with local government, will deliver \$500 million of investment under the City Deal, supporting the region's continued economic diversification and growth of the visitor economy.

Full project details are on the [Colac Otway Shire website](#).

## Apollo Bay Harbour Redevelopment



A new 30,000 litre diesel fuel tank has arrived at the Port of Apollo Bay. The new tank allows for Mother's Beach car park improvements to be made at the Harbour.

The tank sits on the wharf, next to the refuelling station, and will be used by Apollo Bay's fishermen to refuel their vessels.

Jointly funded by the Apollo Bay Fishermen's Co-op who will own the tank and new wharf-side bowser cabinet, and the Geelong City Deal funded Apollo Bay Harbour Redevelopment project who have paid for the relocation as part of the improvements to the Harbour, the new fuel tank will be a great new asset for Harbour users.

## Reports, Studies and Assessments for the Harbour

To progress the designs for the Harbour Redevelopment, a number of reports, studies and assessments have been completed recently, including;

- Stormwater Management Report
- Road Safety Audits
- Geotechnical Reports
- Flora & Fauna Guarantee
- Cultural Heritage Management Plans

The reports can be found on the Apollo Bay Harbour Redevelopment project [website](#).

## Apollo Bay to Skenes Creek Coastal Trail

As part of the approvals process for the trail a referral has been made to the Federal Government's Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment regarding the potential impacts to the Hooded Plover in compliance with the EPBC Act. This referral not only outlines what the potential impacts are, but also outlines how the potential impacts to the Hooded Plover and its habitat will be mitigated both during construction and post construction.



*Photo courtesy Birdlife Australia*

## Kennett River Tourism Infrastructure Improvements

The Kennett River Tourism Infrastructure Improvements project review of the wastewater treatment plant continues. We'll keep you posted.

In the meantime detailed design of the road, parking and drainage improvements are nearing completion. Recent reports received include the Stormwater Management Plan. All reports can be found on the project [website](#).