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The Hon. Susan Close
Minister for Climate, Environment and Water
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Re: Government action on recommendations from the ERDC Coastal Inquiry of 2021

On behalf of the South Australian Branch of the Australian Coastal Society Ltd (ACS), congratulations on your recent appointment as Minister for Climate, Environment and Water.

The ACS is a national 'not for profit' organisation dedicated to healthy coastal ecosystems, vibrant coastal communities and sustainable use of coastal resources. In addition to its biennial national coastal conferences, the ACS has also run a number of successful state-based coastal conferences in SA and is planning to hold a regional coastal workshop later this year.

Last year the ACS made a detailed submission to the SA Parliament's Environment and Resources Development Committee (ERDC) Inquiry into the Coast Protection Board and Legislation. I note that the former SA Minister for the Environment (David Speirs) provided a government response to the final ERDC report just prior to the 2022 SA state election. It appears that his response basically provides support for all of the eleven recommendations in the ERDC's final report.

Given the SA coastal legislation is now 50 years old, the ACS is keen to learn what timeline the new SA Government has for the implementation of the recommendations from the ERDC Coastal Inquiry?

The ACS looks forward to your positive response.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to read 'N. Harvey', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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