

July 22, 2015

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Dear Mark

Re: Roads and Drainage Storm Damage Funding Scotland Island

In May, we expressed our significant concern about the roads and drainage infrastructure on Scotland Island which had been severely damaged by the April storm. We are writing to thank Council for allocating staff and equipment following storm damage funding from the State Government for the restoration of infrastructure in the most heavily impacted locations.

We value and appreciate our ongoing partnership and your support for our community, particularly in areas where the Island requires much needed infrastructure.

The proposed works will contribute to a more lasting solution to the Island's inadequate roads and drainage infrastructure and stem the ongoing erosion. The Scotland Island Road Reserve and Stormwater Management Plan, adopted by Council in 2011, projects an estimated overall cost in excess of \$5mil to complete all required drainage work and a further \$16mil+ for road surfaces.

This is a massive project and it is clear that serious funding will be required to carry out works identified for design and implementation in the masterplan in order to provide a permanent solution to the Island's infrastructure and stormwater issues.

We seek Council's ongoing support to (a) increase the priority of these works in Council's annual budget planning and (b) continue to source grant funding options from the NSW State Government to progress the recommendations in the masterplan. We understand that there has been an allocation of additional funding, as discussed at our General Meeting, and would be pleased to receive confirmation of this grant.

We are eager to continue to work in partnership with Council to review the future CIP Schedule of Works and share our ideas on current and future priorities.

Regards

Bill Gye

President
SIRA

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