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| Cape to Cape Resilience Project  PROJECT UPDATE #4: April 2022 |

The project team has been using the Inverloch Coastal Hazard Assessment (CHA) modelling results, exploring how coastal hazards might interact and impact on values, uses and infrastructure in the region’s coastal areas. This understanding is important for informing our adaptation approach.

## Technical work update

The completion of the CHA modelling has allowed the project team to begin the next stages of the project with various key technical and strategic assessments. Recent work has included:

* Hazard mapping
* Values, uses and infrastructure database
* Hazard exposure assessment
* Vulnerability and risk
* Economics assessment
* Adaptation option development

### Hazard mapping

Estimated as “coastal hazard extents”, mapping the CHA modelling results indicates areas along the Cape to Cape coastlines that may be exposed to inundation (flooding), erosion (sand loss) or sea level rise.

Many maps have been produced by the project team, showing combinations of the different hazard types, storm events and timeframes. This helps to highlight how hazards and exposure varies for each hazard type, storm events, climate conditions and over different timeframes. This spatial understanding informs our understanding of exposure, vulnerability and risk.

These maps are an excellent way to communicate some of the CHA outcomes with the Cape to Cape community.

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### Values, uses and infrastructure database

Building on the Community Values Study, the Cultural Values Assessment and the extensive data gathering undertaken early on in the project, we have created a spatial database of local values, uses and infrastructure. This includes:



### Hazard exposure

Using the hazard extents and the spatial database of values, uses and infrastructure, we have assessed what things we have located in the hazard areas that may potentially impacted by hazards. This assessment has calculated lengths, areas and counts of values and assets that may be exposed to each hazard event.

### Vulnerability and risk

Guided by our tailored risk framework, we are using the results of the exposure analysis to inform the risk and vulnerability assessment. Our analysis combines likelihood of the coastal hazard (i.e. a hazard event) and the potential consequence to the value/use exposed to that hazard. We will then be able to quantify risk, which will help us strategically prioritise and manage (mitigate) risk, through adaptation.

### Economics assessment

Our economic analysis is also using the exposure analysis to establish an economic “base case”. This assessment can be used to help justify the case for adaptation, providing an understanding of potential financial costs of hazards (through damages and loss) without adaptation (intervention).

Part of this work looks to explore the value of a sandy and accessible Inverloch Surf Beach in driving tourism and visitation, and its role in the local economy.

## Engagement update

In recent months, we have had a range of workshops with our project working group (PWG) and project control board (PCB), as well as with various land and asset managers, discussing key outcomes from the technical work.

We’ve also met several times with our Stakeholder Reference Group (SRG), with workshops on:

* Approach to risk (virtually, Dec 2021)
* Exposure, risk and adaptation (in-person, Mar 2022)

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*Recent SRG workshop on exposure, risk and adaptation*

These sessions have allowed us to share key project findings to date and to discuss potential implications for the region. Feedback from our community representatives is guiding the next stages of our strategic thinking.

### Upcoming community engagement

The community continue to have a role in informing our adaptation approach, including adaptation actions that we consider for managing hazard risk.

We have just launched our next round of online engagement the Cape to Cape Resilience Project website. We’re keen to hear you views, ideas.

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There are also maps, new factsheets, and summaries of some of the earlier technical work

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## Next steps

As we complete different sections of the technical work, we are establishing a better understanding of hazards and risks. We are starting to bring together what we know from all the work so far, and we’re now using it to start shaping up potential adaptation options.

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