

Boating Facilities Category

Application Priority
 This is priority of
(where there are multiple applications)
 Fields marked (*) are mandatory

Section 1 – Contact Information

Part A: Applicant Organisation details

* Name of Organisation: **East Gippsland Shire Council**

* Postal Address: **PO Box 1618**

* Town / Suburb: **Bairnsdale**

* Postcode: **3875**

* State: **Victoria**

Main Street Address (if different from above): **273 Main Road**

Town / Suburb: **Bairnsdale**

* Postcode: **3875**

* State: **Victoria**

Contact person (This is the person who will manage the project on your behalf)

* Title: **Mr**

* First name: **Chris**

* Last name: **Waites**

Position: **Director Development**

Telephone: **03 5153 9500**

Mobile: **[REDACTED]**

Fax: **03 5153 9576**

Email: **[REDACTED]**

If your organisation is associated with a Parent body please state its name:

* Type of Organisation:



Local Government

Incorporated Association

Other (please specify)

Your organisation's Australian Business Number (ABN), if you have one: **81 957 967 765**

Is your organisation registered for GST?



Yes

No

Do you need an auspice for this application?

Yes, I need an auspice organisation for this application (Complete Part B: Auspice Organisation details)



No, I do not require an auspice organisation for this application

Part B: Auspice Organisation details

Name of Auspice Organisation:

Main Street address:

Town / Suburb:

Postcode:

State:

Postal Address (if different from above):

Town / Suburb:

Postcode:

State:

Authorised person

Title:

First name:

Last name:

Position:

Telephone:

Mobile:

Fax:

Email:

Type of Organisation:	Local Government	Incorporated Association	Other (please specify)
Auspice organisation's Australian Business Number (ABN):	81 957 967 765		
Is the auspice organisation registered for GST?	Yes	No	
Has the auspice organisation agreed to manage the grant on your behalf?	Yes	No	

Section 2 – Project Overview

* Project name *(We will use this name on all correspondence. Please use 10 words or less.)*

Mallacoota Ocean Access Boat Ramp

* Project Description *(Describe the project in 50 words or less. We will use this in reports and other publications.)*

The Ocean Access Boat Ramp will provide an enhanced facility for recreational and commercial boat operators to launch and retrieve their boats at Bastion Point, Mallacoota. It will replace an existing ramp constructed in the 1960s that is in disrepair and has limited usability.

* New Facility or Upgrade to an existing Facility or Study/Design

Where will your project happen? *(Please provide the address / location of where most of your planned activity will take place including town / suburb and postcode.)*

Address/Location: **Bastion Point, Mallacoota**

Local government area: **East Gippsland Shire Council**

Waterway Name and Type: *(Inland/Coastal)* **Tasman Sea, Coastal**

Map reference: *(Eg. Melways / VicRoads – page and grid reference)* **VicRoads Map 70 Reference E7**

Section 3 – Additional Questions

1. Have any previous grants for upgrade been provided for this facility?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
2. Is it expected that commercial vessels will use the proposed facility?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
3. If yes, please describe what financial contribution they will make towards the works.	\$		
4. Is it expected that Search and Rescue organisations will use the facility?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	No
5. If yes, please detail the organisation.	Victoria Police, State Emergency Service		
6. Where is the nearest similar facility Located? <i>Please advise nautical miles and direction from you. Give map references.</i>	Cape Conran 37' 48" South 148' 43" East, 57 nautical miles (approx.) Quarantine Bay (Eden) 37' 04" S 149' 53" E		
7. Is the facility to be available to the public at all reasonable times?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	No
8. Please detail any restrictions to availability?			
9. Who will be responsible for ongoing management and maintenance of the facility?	East Gippsland Shire Council		
10. Has the facility manager given written confirmation that they will continue to manage the facility?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No

11. Is a user charge levied or intended to be levied on the facility?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
12. Will a user levy be solely used for maintenance and upkeep of the facility?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	No
13. If no where will the revenue be directed?		
14. If more than one quote is required and you have not selected the lowest quote please explain why.		
15. If the required number of quotes has not been provided please explain why.	Will be competitively tendered.	
16. Provide details of all permits that have been obtained or are required.	Refer attachment.	
17. Have you submitted a pre-registration form for this project?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
18. If you have contacted the Grants and Administration Team about this project, who was your contact?	[REDACTED] Boating Safety & Facilities Program, DoT	
19. Detail any connection by way of membership or any other means between the organisation and any person/company supplying a quotation.		

Section 4 – Project Details that address the Assessment Criteria

Please indicate how your project addresses the following assessment criteria: Why? How? Who? And What? Refer to the program guidelines and assessment criteria to help you answer the questions.

* Why is this project needed?

Please describe the demand for this project.

- For existing facilities, provide details of the number of times the facility is currently used and tell us what type of craft use the facility (ie. Size, power, purpose, etc.)
- For new facilities, give an estimate for demand and vessel type and show how these figures have been derived.
- Detail which relevant strategic planning documents (eg Boating Coastal Action Plan) were addressed in this application.

East Gippsland Shire Council has sought to address a number of issues and objectives in relation to proposed new ocean access boat ramp at Bastion Point including:

- Concern that the existing structure has reached the end of its economic life and a decision is required in respect to the future provision and operation of the boat ramp;



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* How will the project be delivered?

Describe the proposed works (include plans as an attachment).

- Give details of your project planning to date. Attach any documents that demonstrate how you have developed the project to date.
- Include details of risk assessment and mitigation.

The design process has been managed by Mr. Chris Waites, East Gippsland Shire Council's Director Development. This process is complete. The tendering and construction process will be managed by Major Projects Victoria through [REDACTED], the appointed Project Director. See plans attached.

*** Who is involved?**

- If the site is crown land, please provide details of the reservation, the Statutory Management Authority (SMA) and your relationship to the SMA.
- If you have not submitted a Boating Facilities Pre-registration Form, you must provide evidence that your project is supported by the land owner, delegated land manager, local council, Catchment Management Authority (for inland waterways) and the Waterway Manager.
- Detail those supporting the project and if possible, attach supporting documentation.

As the appointed committee of management under the Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978, East Gippsland Shire Council is responsible for the crown land on which the new boat ramp is to be sited.

The governance arrangements for this project are a Project Development Group, chaired by [REDACTED] (DoT), and a Project Control Group chaired by [REDACTED] (MPV). See attachment.



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*** What will the project achieve?**

Describe the outcomes and benefits to be derived from the project.

- Refer to the aims and assessment criteria in the Boating Facilities section of the Program Information Booklet.
- Show how your project contributes to at least one of these aims.

The Ocean Access Boat Ramp at Bastion Point has been identified by East Gippsland Shire Council as a major project, of local and regional significance. It is the only ocean access boat ramp available for recreational, commercial and emergency services boat launching and retrieval between Cape Conran (Victoria) and Eden (NSW) a distance of some 97 nautical miles.

The new boat ramp will significantly improve the efficiency of ocean launching and retrieval activities in this

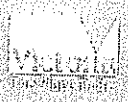


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Section 5 – Key tasks and timeframes

Please identify the key tasks for your project and an indicative timeframe –if you cannot provide enough detail in this section please attach another document (should be no more than a page). For instance, an infrastructure project should identify final documentation, letting of tender (if relevant), construction commencement and completion.

Task	Description	Expected Start Date	Expected Finish Date
Design	Detailed design and cost estimates	07/21/2010	08/03/2010
Approvals and Permits	Ministerial EES Assessment obtained. Further approvals required: Coastal Management	08/12/2010	10/21/2010
Tendering	Call tenders, evaluate and let	10/22/2010	12/23/2010



Construction	Construction	02/04/2011	08/16/2011
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Section 6 – Project Budget

* Please refer to the Program Information Booklet for more information on quotations and supporting evidence requirements. For projects under \$25,000 please supply one written quote. For projects costing \$25,000 and above you should provide three written quotes or appropriate detail to establish the accuracy of your costings. Note: Projects in excess of \$150,000 may be required to conduct a competitive tender process.

** The breakdown of costs should itemise all major costs, including costs for infrastructure construction, drainage, power supply etc.

Show quoted costs of the project. Where work is to be done using your own "in house" resources, show your calculations. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

	Total cost (GST exclusive)
	\$
	\$
Project Management (must not exceed 10% of A)	\$ 250,000
Regulatory/safety signage (must discuss with Waterway Management)	\$ 5,000
Total cost of project (preferred quote)*	(A) \$ 5,250,000
Your organisation's contribution	\$ 300,000
Any other government funding	\$ 4,350,000
Any other funding (eg. Commercial operator contribution)	\$
Total contributions (must be at least 20% of A)	(B) \$ 4,650,000
Outstanding balance (subtract B from A)**	(C) \$ 600,000
Grant amount sought (lesser of C or 80% of A)	(D) \$ 600,000

What project income is confirmed? Please indicate whether income from your organisation, other government, community, business or other contributions is confirmed.

East Gippsland Shire Council has indicated a project contribution of \$300,000.

Declaration

I state that the information in this application and attachments is to the best of my knowledge true and correct. I will notify Department of Transport (DOT) of any changes to this information and any circumstances that may affect this application. I acknowledge that DOT may refer this application to external experts or other Government Departments for assessment, reporting, advice, comment or for discussions regarding alternative or collaborative grant funding opportunities. I understand that DOT is subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* and that if a Freedom of Information request is made, DOT will consult with the applicant before any decision is made to release the application or supporting documentation. I understand that this is an application only and may not necessarily result in funding approval.

* Signature:

Kate Nelson

* Date: 08/12/2010

* Print name: Kate Nelson

* Position: Acting Chief Executive Officer

(To be signed by a person with delegated authority to apply – i.e. Chief Executive Officer or Board Chairperson.)

Supporting documents

Please submit the following documents with your application:

Current plans and photos of the existing (if any) facilities at the site including parking availability

Plans for the future site

Quotes for costs where appropriate

Planning permits (if available or a letter from issuing Authorities as to their support in principle)

Letters of support from other organisations that clearly define their involvement or anticipated benefit from the project

Submit your application

Submit your application to Department of Transport by mail (PO Box 2797, Melbourne 3001), email (boating.grants@transport.vic.gov.au) or fax (03 9655 2074) no later than 13 August 2010
For further information contact: freecall 1800 337 222

Attachment

BOATING SAFETY AND FACILITIES APPLICATION

Project: East Gippsland Shire: Bastion Point Ocean Access Boat Ramp

Section 1: Question 16 Details of permits that have been obtained or are required?

Approvals obtained

A comprehensive Environmental Effects Statement (EES) has been prepared following the Minister for Planning's determination of 17 August 2000 that an EES was required. An inquiry was subsequently held under the provisions of the *Environment Effects Act 1978* to consider the Bastion Point Boat Ramp project and following the conclusions of its hearing on 7 August 2008, the Inquiry prepared its report to the Minister for Planning. The Minister for Planning released his assessment under the *Environment Effects Act 1978* in June 2009 concluding, among other things, that "it is my assessment that EGSC, DSE, MSV and Gippsland Ports determine the specific construction design and associated operational, safety and management arrangements for a new ramp to be constructed generally along the lines of Option 3B".

Approvals required

The Project Development Group, chaired by [REDACTED] is overseeing the approvals process in accordance with agreed project program (refer Section 5).

The following approvals are required before the project can proceed:

- Consent under the *Coastal Management Act 1995*
- Cultural Heritage Management Plan
- Planning Permit for Native Vegetation Removal
- Native Title

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East Gippsland Shire Council has sought to address a number of issues and objectives in relation to proposed new ocean access boat ramp at Bastion Point including:

- **Concern that the existing structure has reached the end of its economic life and a decision is required in respect to the future provision and operation of the boat ramp;**
- **Concern about the standard of safety for operators using the existing facilities and for other users of the beach and water at Bastion Point;**
- **The need to provide an adequate level of infrastructure to support recreational and commercial fishing activities presently occurring at Mallacoota, and to support their ongoing development;**
- **The need to ensure that any development at Bastion Point does not impact adversely on the character and amenity of Mallacoota for residents and visitors;**
- **The need to appropriately manage the mix of users at Bastion Point; and**
- **The need to provide an adequate level of infrastructure to support and improve access for emergency and enforcement activities.**

The Mallacoota Social, Economic and Infrastructure Impacts report prepared by Pryor Knowledge (ACT) on the construction of an ocean access boat ramp at Bastion Point estimated the current use of the existing ramp. These are: abalone divers launch about 100 days per year and account for 1100 launches; a local in-shore fishing vessel goes out approximately 300 days per year; the charter boat to Gabo Island goes out about 130 days per year; other users (recreational boating) are estimated at 750 launches per year; Parks Victoria and other government agencies account for an estimated 1000 launches per year. Given the state of disrepair of the existing ramp the professional operators have resorted to using tractors to launch and retrieve their boats.

The major measurable economic impacts associated with the development of the ramp are the impacts of increased recreational boating usage. The Economic Impact Assessment Report prepared by Buchan Consulting Pty Ltd (July 2010) for the project estimates that recreational launches will increase to 2990 per year for visitors boats and 1247 launches per year for local boats. The estimated total of 4237 recreation boat launches per year is an increase of 3487 over the current level of recreational usage.

Under the Victorian Coastal Strategy 2008, Mallacoota is identified as a Regional Boating Facility. A Regional Boating Facility accommodates a significant amount of recreational boating in appropriate conditions. These include multiple boat ramps, jetties, substantial car parking, safety measures where required and significant onshore facilities including public toilets. A site satisfying this level of hierarchy generates a significant level of boating activity from a wide catchment.

While Mallacoota is a strategic location the existing facilities prevent it from delivering its potential as a regional boating facility.

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*** Who is involved?**

Detail those supporting the project and if possible, attach supporting documentation.

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The governance arrangements for this project are a Project Development Group, chaired by [REDACTED] (DoT), and a Project Control Group chaired by [REDACTED] (MPV). See attachment.

Council is seeking a major financial contribution for the project from the Victorian Government's Regional Infrastructure Development Fund. This application is pending.

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The new boat ramp will significantly improve the efficiency of ocean launching and retrieval activities in this region. This is particularly true during the busy

summer and Easter tourist seasons. In the case of government agencies, usability would be increased for the launches currently required for policing and rescue activity.

The major measurable economic impacts associated with the development of a safe and efficient facility are the impacts of increased recreational boating activity. The Economic Impact Assessment Report (July 2010) estimated that of the total spending of \$6.8 million per year by recreational boat users \$4.1 million would be spent locally. Based on this level of local spending the report concludes that 42.3 new direct and 10.2 indirect jobs would be created.

Section 5 – Key tasks and timeframes

Approvals and Permits

Ministerial EES Assessment obtained. Further approvals required: Coastal Management Act Consent, Cultural Heritage Management Plan, Planning Permit for Native Vegetation Removal, Native Title