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WESROC collaborates on long-term plan for river foreshore erosion

The Western Suburbs Regional Organisation of Councils (WESROC) has secured \$40,000 from the State Government's Riverbank 2014-15 Funding Program.

The funds will go towards the development of a Foreshore Management Plan for the Swan River Estuary in the Western Suburbs of Perth.

The Cities of Nedlands and Subiaco, the Towns of Mosman Park and Claremont and the Shire of Peppermint Grove have a combined 16.1 km foreshore estuary shoreline. The councils are experiencing problems with river wall collapse and erosion of foreshore areas, causing damage to infrastructure and vegetation.

A long-term Foreshore Management Plan will involve a detailed vulnerability assessment of the foreshore estuary and identify tailored solutions for each local government area. A clear objective of the study is to provide practical on-ground options according to risk and priority.

City of Nedlands Mayor Max Hipkins said, "Some of the longer-term solutions for river foreshore erosion are likely to be expensive. A comprehensively researched Foreshore Management Plan for the river is vital for planning for the future."

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About WESROC

The Western Suburbs Regional Organisation of Councils (WESROC) comprising the Towns of Claremont, Cottesloe, and Mosman Park, the Shire of Peppermint Grove, the Cities of Nedlands and Subiaco with the Town of Cambridge work on a voluntary partnership on cross-boundary regional projects.

About the City of Nedlands

The City of Nedlands is situated 7km from Perth and stretches from the banks of the Swan River to the edge of the Indian Ocean. A population of over 21,000 live in the suburbs Nedlands, Dalkeith, Mt Claremont, Swanbourne, Karrakatta, and parts of Floreat and Shenton Park.

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