



# Stockton Works Update

## September 2022



### Coastal Repair Works

Coastal repair work is underway in multiple locations along Stockton Beach, following damaging weather events throughout 2022. Rock bags have been placed at the northern end of the Mitchell Street seawall, providing temporary protection to minimise damage to the seawall crest caused by overtopping.

City of Newcastle (CN) crews are now placing rock bags and sand bags in the area north of the Stockton Surf Lifesaving Club and south of the Mitchell Street seawall, to protect against outflanking ahead of the more permanent buried terminal protection structures being constructed. Repair works will also incorporate upgrades to beach access. Works are scheduled to be completed by the end of September, weather permitting.

*The latest information regarding emergency works and beach accessways can be found at [newcastle.nsw.gov.au/stockton-works](https://newcastle.nsw.gov.au/stockton-works)*

### Stockton CMP Delivery Structures

**Status of Seawall Upgrades:** CN is currently assessing tenders for repair works at the King Street breakwater. Construction is scheduled to commence in October, weather permitting.

**Buried Protection Structures:** Works to deliver the first buried protection structure at Mitchell Street are expected to commence in early 2023. Detailed design is underway for the next two structures, at Lexies and north of the Stockton Surf Life Saving Club.

### Sand

The NSW Government's application for \$6 million in grant funding from the Federal Government's Coastal and Estuarine Risk Mitigation Program is currently being assessed. The three-stage proposal seeks funding to:

- Obtain approvals and undertake an initial 300,000 cubic metres of sand relocation,
- Obtain approvals required for a mass beach nourishment campaign, and
- Investigate sand sources within the North Arm of the Hunter River.

In parallel, CN is working with state government agencies to better understand the approvals process and the environmental investigations that will be required for the various sand sources.

**Receiving Sand:** We are currently undertaking an environmental assessment for the placement of sand which is scheduled for completion by the end of 2022.

### Extended Stockton CMP Development

Draft management actions to deliver the short, medium and long-term CMP objectives are currently being reviewed by the State Government agencies who will either own or be directly affected by each proposed action. This is to ensure the actions align with the objectives of both the CMP and the Coastal Management Act. It also enables potential issues to be identified and addressed early and confirms that the draft actions are within the capacity and capabilities of each organisation to deliver.

### Mitchell Street Local Centre Upgrade

Final elements of our upgrade to Mitchell Street, including street furniture and landscaping, are nearly complete and we are planning a community event to celebrate the completion of the project in the coming months. In the meantime, we are working with the Stockton Historical Society to deliver new signage celebrating Stockton's past.