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**From:** Anne Heinrich  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 3:22 PM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:** Dean Winter; Janie Finlay; Shane Broad; Rockliff, Jeremy; Ellis, Felix; Nick Duigan  
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**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 6:48 AM  
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I am an Australian citizen now, but also an immigrant who moved to Tasmania seeking somewhere for my family to live that was safe, environmentally friendly, and had a society that appreciated the natural beauty of the land and the coastline.

With climate change affecting the world and eroding our coastal areas, it seems incongruous that the Tasmanian government would want to approve more coastal development.

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Scott Grant

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**From:** Rebecca Piper  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 8:08 PM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox

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Regards

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As an active member of Coastcare in Sth East Tasmania and a resident of Tasmania and this area for the past 21yrs. I am concerned that any proposed changes threaten much that many of us as humans know and love about Tasmania and the wild coastal areas. Let alone our local resident Shore birds and the Migratory birds that rely and will rely even more so in the future on such areas for their survival esp. with rising sea levels etc. I write this submission with the greatest respect for Tasmania's incredible natural coastline and call for the State Government to scrap the retrospective legislation to amend the Tasmanian State Coastal Policy, commit to not interfering with the Robbins Island Supreme Court case and to release its legal reasons regarding the status of existing coastal structures.

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Robbins island must be protected at all cost! It is unthinkable that an Internationally Recognised Ramsar site that many of us worked towards many years ago can now be threatened by such plans.

Please reconsider!!

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Thanking you for the opportunity to provide a submission and I look forward to a favourable outcome.

Yours sincerely and may good judgement prevail.

Our coasts must be protected forever not destroyed for short term gains.

Joan Ward

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**From:** [Delia Nicholls](#)  
**To:** [State Planning Office Shared Mailbox](#)  
**Subject:** Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy  
**Date:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 8:44:55 PM

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**Subject:** Validation (State Coastal Policy) Act 2024 Submission

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Please dont let our little island home be decimated any more....Too much destruction has already happened leaving massive areas of land and shoreline overdeveloped; overfarmed and no longer habitable for our dwindling wildlife...

Below is the generic email not written by me but which i will leave attached to my short missive...

Tasmania is one of very few places left on Earth with so much natural wilderness...further development; especially of Wind and Salmon farms will destroy the beauty and clean way of life that we are privileged to enjoy...

Please dont allow any further tragic destruction of our last remaining beautiful Tasmania...🙏

Money wont count for anything if we can no longer swim and fish in our waters, breathe fresh air ;enjoy walking in pristine forests and marvel at beautiful flocks of birds and our unique and wondrous wildlife....

Thankyou

I write this submission with the greatest respect for Tasmania's incredible natural coastline and call for the State Government to scrap the retrospective legislation to amend the Tasmanian State Coastal Policy, commit to not interfering with the Robbins Island Supreme Court case and to release its legal reasons regarding the status of existing coastal structures.

These proposed amendments to the current State Coastal Policy present a great threat to Tasmania's way of life.

To me, Tasmania's way of life revolves around enjoying our serene and natural environment across the state. As Tasmanians, we enjoy the wild coastlines by fishing, walking, swimming, diving, boating, and simply enjoying the wild beauty they offer. To open the door to private development along our coast completely undermines the values of Tasmanian people.

Not only this but the draft legislation will weaken the ongoing Supreme Court case that is challenging the approval of the unwanted Robbins Island wind farm. The entire argument for why this legislation is needed rests on unreleased advice which the government claim raises legal problems with the Coastal Policy regarding developments on actively mobile landforms.

The proposed changes to the Tasmanian State Coastal Policy would open the door to private and commercial developments, as well as infrastructure such as marinas and wharves, to be built on already vulnerable and moving dune systems that are threatened by erosion, rising sea levels and increasingly severe weather storms. The government is acting without regard to the dangers our state faces from climate change or the fact that these shorelines offer crucial habitat for many endangered shorebirds. Not only that, but Tasmanians may face losing access to the coasts that they love and enjoy using. The very coasts that underpin our lifestyle and Tasmanian way of life.

Any proposed changes to the Tasmanian State Coastal Policy must follow the existing, legislated public consultation process, not be fast-tracked through parliament with a bill and only 14 days of consultation. The consultation period is woefully inadequate and does not reflect the time needed to genuinely inform and consult with the wider community and stakeholders on such a significant change. The standard State Policy Amendment Process is a

minimum of 8 weeks public consultation, after a report is prepared by the Tasmanian Planning Commission, followed by hearings. This standard process must be adhered to.

In his media release dated 6th June 2024, Minister Duigan stated "This Government will always support Tasmania's way of life and provide confidence in our planning laws for coastal infrastructure." The proposed changes in the Validation (State Coastal Policy) Act 2024 will in fact do the exact opposite.

In my submission I urge the Tasmanian government to scrap the retrospective legislation to amend the Tasmanian State Coastal Policy, commit to not interfering with the Robbins Island Supreme Court case and to release its legal reasons regarding the status of existing coastal structures.

Yours sincerely.

Yours sincerely,  
Jaana Holder

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**From:** [Kelly Sims](#)  
**To:** [State Planning Office Shared Mailbox](#)  
**Subject:** State Coastal Policy  
**Date:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 8:22:18 PM

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To Whom It May Concern,

I along with leading environmental and planning experts oppose the proposed changes to the Tasmanian **State Coastal Policy**, some of the most concerning evidenced-based issues are highlighted below:

1. **The State Governments attempts to amend the *Tasmanian State Coastal Policy*, therefore impact to the Robbins Island Supreme Court case.** The correlation is corruptly obvious.
2. **The fast tracking of proposed changes throughout State Parliament.** Any proposed changes to the *State Coastal Policy* must follow the existing robust legislated eight-week public consultation process (with opportunity for public input, consultation & hearings) ethically conducted by the Tasmanian Planning Commission.
3. **The State Government asserting hidden processes,** the legality of existing structures such as jetties and wharves is in doubt and they have a responsibility to the Tasmanian community to **release the legal reasons** (if not the legal advice) supporting their statements to ensure transparency.
4. **The Robbins Island project is yet to gain approval from the Australian Government.** Thus, there is no immediate need to reactively rush through the proposed changes to the State Coastal Policy - driven by unintelligent fear.
5. **The Tasmanian Government has yet to demonstrate a justified need for this wide-ranging legislation, while also failing to disclose why legally & publicly.** Evidence must be provided by the Government that warrants the need for such legislative changes the State Coastal Policy. The Minister for Renewable Energy and Minister for Parks and Environment Nick Duigan was questioned in the Tasmanian

Parliament and asked to provide a list of structures that had legal uncertainties - structures such as jetties and wharves etc. Yet he failed to, no such evidence has been provided and thus we remain skeptical of the Tasmanian Government's 'need' for the proposed changes to the *State Coastal Policy*.

6. **Any proposed changes to the State Coastal Policy must be dealt with by the Tasmanian Parliament holistically, and not by two separate Bills tabled at different times, arguably aimed to confuse the public at a pivotal time.** The Government's secretive approach prevents an integrated review of the *State Coastal Policy*, the second bill is still yet to be released for public review. The State Government proposes to make two groups of key changes to the State Coastal Policy – both deal with separate Bills. The Bill currently out for public comment aims to validate previously approved developments while the yet to be released Bill is expected to create a new assessment and approval processes. The Parliament deserves to see a complete picture of the changes to this important State Policy so it can properly assess whether to approve the draft changes or not.
7. **We strongly encourage our State Parliamentarians to vote to send any draft legislation to change the *State Coastal Policy* to Committee for further review. This would at least allow further (but limited) community consultation.** This is especially important as the State Government is choosing not to follow the existing, legislated eight week public consultation process conducted by the Tasmanian Planning Commission. With such an open-ended broad ranging Bill and so many unanswered questions it is critical that it go to committee for proper scrutiny.
8. **The draft legislation (*the [Validation \(State Coastal Policy\) Bill 2024](#)*) will potentially provide for a retrospective, blanket approval for all coastal developments statewide since 2009. Such a broad-brush approval undermines previous assessments and permits issued, potentially leading to unintended legal, environmental and human (land development) consequences.** The Draft Bill provides a retrospective blanket approval for all developments in the coastal zone from 2009 to whenever the Act receives Royal Assent. Section 3 Interpretation of the draft Bill [here](#) states that 'validation period

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Please give due consideration to all information provided to you in relation to this fast-tracked legislation, who does it really serve?

Regards,

Kelly Sims

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**From:** Kim Cartwright  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 9:02 PM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Subject:** Save our Coasts – Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy

I oppose the proposed changes to the *State Coastal Policy* for the following nine issues and concerns:

1. The State Government immediately stops its attempt to amend the Tasmanian *State Coastal Policy*, **ensuring there is no impact to the ongoing Robbins Island Supreme Court case.**
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4. **Note the Robbins Island wind farm is yet to gain approval from the Australian Government.** Thus, there is no immediate need to rush through the proposed changes to the *State Coastal Policy*.
5. **The Tasmanian Government has yet to demonstrate the need for this wide-ranging legislation. Evidence must be provided by the Government for the need for the draft legislation to change the *State Coastal Policy*.** The Minister for Renewable Energy and Minister for Parks and Environment Nick Duigan was asked in the Tasmanian Parliament to provide a list of structures that had legal uncertainties (structures such as jetties and wharves). **No such evidence has been provided and thus we remain skeptical of the Tasmanian Government's justification for the proposed changes to the *State Coastal Policy*.**
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**Yours sincerely  
Kim Cartwright**

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**From:** Clare Jacobson  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 9:02 AM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save Our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy

I oppose the proposed changes to the State Coastal Policy for the following nine issues and concerns:

The State Government immediately stops its attempt to amend the Tasmanian State Coastal Policy, ensuring there is no impact to the ongoing Robbins Island Supreme Court case.

Rather than fast tracking the proposed changes through the Tasmanian Parliament, any proposed changes to the State Coastal Policy must follow the existing robust legislated eight-week public consultation process (with opportunity for public hearings) conducted by the Tasmanian Planning Commission.

If, as the State Government asserts, the legality of existing structures such as jetties and wharves is in doubt, they have a responsibility to the Tasmanian community to release the legal reasons (if not the legal advice) supporting these assertions to ensure transparency in the proposal.

Note the Robbins Island wind farm is yet to gain approval from the Australian Government. Thus, there is no immediate need to rush through the proposed changes to the State Coastal Policy.

The Tasmanian Government has yet to demonstrate the need for this wide-ranging legislation. Evidence must be provided by the Government for the need for the draft legislation to change the State Coastal Policy. The Minister for Renewable Energy and Minister for Parks and Environment Nick Duigan was asked in the Tasmanian Parliament to provide a list of structures that had legal uncertainties (structures such as jetties and wharves). No such evidence

has been provided and thus we remain skeptical of the Tasmanian Government's justification for the proposed changes to the State Coastal Policy.

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We strongly encourage our State Parliamentarians to vote to send any draft legislation to change the State Coastal Policy to Committee for further review. This would at least allow further (but limited) community consultation/engagement. This is especially important as the State Government is choosing not to follow the existing, legislated eight week public consultation process conducted by the Tasmanian Planning Commission. With such an open-ended broad ranging Bill and so many unanswered questions it is critical that it go to committee for proper scrutiny.

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LASTLY, this issue of the conservation and protection of our coasts here in lutruwita/Tasmania is incredibly important to me. Our island has some of the remaining pristine coastline leading the world in endemic cool water marine species and diversity. It is the coast that makes this place home, most Tasmanians flee to the coast in their holidays to reconnect and be with community. It is of extreme cultural, social, economic and environmental importance to have strong laws in place to protect the coast from corporate cowboys and the like who wish to rush in developments that may pose repercussions vast and wide within the living communities that treasure and value our coasts.

Thank you for reading  
Sincerely,  
Clare Jacobson

**From:** KERRY HOUSTON  
**To:** Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy  
**Cc:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 6:05:40 PM

**Subject:**  
**Date:**  
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Regards,

**KERRY HOUSTON**



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**From:** Essie Davis  
**To:** Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy  
**Cc:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 9:50:47 PM

**Subject:**  
**Date:**

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Yours Sincerely  
Essie Davis

**From:**

**To:**

Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy

**Cc:**

Wednesday, 24 July 2024 4:18:18 PM

**Subject:** Monique Kreis

**Date:**

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Yours sincerely,  
Monique Kreis

**From:** Monique Kreis

**To:**

**Cc:**

Saved to CM: Please scrap the Validation (State Coastal Policy) Bill 2024  
Friday, 26 July 2024 4:32:26 PM

**Subject:**

**Date:**

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Further to my previous submission I strongly encourage you please to Scrap the Validation (State Coastal Policy) Bill 2024.

Thank you.

Kindest,  
Monique



**From:** Nicole Jamison  
**To:** Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy  
**Cc:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 7:07:57 AM

**Subject:**  
**Date:**

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Dear Members,

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This issue is very important to me. After growing up in Queensland, it dismays me now to return to my home state. All the special natural places of my youth are either under concrete or have become denatured by rampant tourism and development. Tasmania is special. I long for it to remain so.

Yours sincerely,  
Nicole Jamison

**From:** Felicity Hargraves  
**To:** [State Planning Office Shared Mailbox](#)  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy!!  
**Date:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 7:34:14 PM

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Dear State policy Department and  
elected representatives to the  
Tasmanian Parliament,

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the State Coastal Policy for the  
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to amend the *Tasmanian State  
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case.**

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10. I want good governance, using  
scientific assessments of  
Tasmania's coasts and based  
on democracy and community  
input, not stupid short term get  
rich schemes degrading local  
peoples amenity and  
environment.

Yours sincerely,

F.Hargraves

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**From:** Janette Power  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 6:18 AM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy

I oppose the proposed changes to the State Coastal Policy for the following nine issues and concerns:

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We see everywhere a break down in democratic process, Tasmania needs processes which are transparent and accountable to the community the government serves.

Yours sincerely,

Janette Power

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**From:** Debra Russell  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 11:12 PM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save our Coasts – Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy

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Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,  
Debra Russell

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**From:** Ingrid Colman  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 6:28 PM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save our Coasts – Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy

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Ingrid Colman

**From:** Kristine Archer  
**To:** [State Planning Office Shared Mailbox](#)  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Please for future generations Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy  
**Date:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 7:58:10 AM  
**Attachments:**

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Dear Members of Parliament,

Ensure this very damaging change to the Coastal policy is not achieved for future generations and the health of our coast.

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**From:** Martin Boord  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 8:36 AM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save our Coasts – Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy

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Martin Boord

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**From:** Dan Pan  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 10:32 PM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Step up, Speak up and Save Tassie's Coasts – Please say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy

I write to oppose the proposed changes to the *State Coastal Policy* for the following ten issues and concerns:

1. The Tasmanian Parliament is operating on stolen land. Land never ceded by the traditional custodians and inhabitants. In recognition of this fact, before moving to any other Government business, the Tasmanian Parliament should first and foremost take immediate action to legislate a path to truth-telling and treaty as the Liberal Government has previously committed to through the Pathway to Truth-Telling and Treaty Report to Premier Peter Gutwein in November 2021. Specifically, the Government should endorse and pass the Draft Treaty Bill as called for by the TAC and tabled by the Greens.
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***I look forward to your swift action on the Draft Treaty Bill.***

Yours sincerely,

Daniel Panek

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**From:** Brendan Hirst  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 6:25 AM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save our Coasts – Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy

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I am disappointed in the Current Governments and their lack of regard or concern to the local constituents of impacts this may have on their quality of life. The constant fast tracking of projects without the correct community consultation and environmental impact studies. Sadly i see this practice by the present government becoming part of the Parties normal practice. I believe Tasmanian's do not want to see this beautiful state sold out to constant

foreign investment projects, at the cost of a potentially negative impacts to the environment and the lifestyle this offers us all.

Yours Sincerely,  
Brendan Hirst

**From:** Trenton Hoare  
**To:** [State Planning Office Shared Mailbox](#)  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy  
**Date:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 8:19:48 PM

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I hope you sincerely consider these points while casting your vote. The future of Tasmanians way of life and coastlines are in your hands. Vote wisely.

Kind Regards,

Mx. Trenton Hoare (they/them)

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*lutruwita (Tasmania)*

*I recognise the deep history and culture of this land. I acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land upon which I work and study. I pay my respects to our Elders past, present and emerging.*

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**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 8:46 PM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

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**Sent:** Wednesday, 24 July 2024 8:40 PM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
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**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 9:19 AM  
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**Cc:**

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The deceit and disrespect shown by Nick Duigan for his Constituents and the proper processes is unconscionable, unacceptable and unethical and undermines our confidence and trust in him and in his office.

**Yours sincerely,**

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**From:** Phil Bywater  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 10:03 AM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:** Dean Winter; Janie Finlay; Shane Broad; Rockliff, Jeremy; Ellis, Felix; Nick Duigan  
**Subject:** Validation (State Coastal Policy) Act 2024 Submission

I write this submission with the greatest respect for Tasmania's incredible natural coastline and call for the State Government to scrap the retrospective legislation to amend the Tasmanian State Coastal Policy, commit to not interfering with the Robbins Island Supreme Court case and to release its legal reasons regarding the status of existing coastal structures.

These proposed amendments to the current State Coastal Policy present a great threat to Tasmania's way of life.

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Not only this but the draft legislation will weaken the ongoing Supreme Court case that is challenging the approval of the unwanted Robbins Island wind farm. The entire argument for why this legislation is needed rests on unreleased advice which the government claim raises legal problems with the Coastal Policy regarding developments on actively mobile landforms.

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In his media release dated 6th June 2024, Minister Duigan stated "This Government will always support Tasmania's way of life and provide confidence in our planning laws for coastal infrastructure." The proposed changes in the Validation (State Coastal Policy) Act 2024 will in fact do the exact opposite.

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**From:** Angela Reeve  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 10:59 AM  
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I feel deeply about this issue and hold my responsibility to future generations seriously. 'Development' is no longer an accurate use of language to describe the theft of land for corporate enrichment and risking political corruption beyond public scrutiny. Surely all of you, left and right can agree on the potential for such eventualities. A lack of political debate on this makes a mockery of our system. The beauty of this island belongs to future generations and those who threaten this for short term gains will have this shame as their legacy.

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**From:** Tammy  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 11:20 AM  
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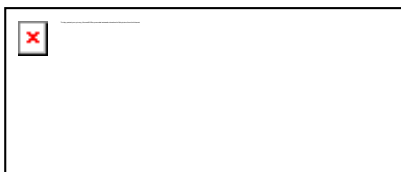
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cheers **Richard Cooke**



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**From:** Kip Nunn  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 12:01 PM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** No changes to coastal policy to benefit destruction by capital lists

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**Yours. Sincerely**  
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**From:** SEYM LONG  
**Sent:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 12:04 PM  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save Our Coast - Say no to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy

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Kind Regards,

Quentin

**From:** Sam Humphries.  
**To:** State Planning Office Shared Mailbox  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy  
**Date:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 12:40:35 PM

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Sam Humphries.

**From:** Kathleen McGinty  
**To:**  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy  
**Date:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 12:36:44 PM

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Given that Tasmania has a record Australia-wide as being the state with the lowest level of government accountability, transparency and integrity, I would hope that those in power would be acting to rectify this abhorrent situation not pass legislation to further weaken these vital aspects of good governance.

Yours sincerely,

Kathleen McGinty



**From:** Mitty Williams  
**To:**  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Please Save our Coasts - Say NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy  
**Date:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 12:33:21 PM

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Kind regards

Mitty Williams

I write this submission with the greatest respect for Tasmania's incredible natural coastline and call for the State Government to scrap the retrospective legislation to amend the Tasmanian State Coastal Policy, commit to not interfering with the Robbins Island Supreme Court case and to release its legal reasons regarding the status of existing coastal structures. These proposed amendments to the current State Coastal Policy present a great threat to Tasmania's way of life.

To me, Tasmania's way of life revolves around enjoying our serene and natural environment across the state. As Tasmanians, we enjoy the wild coastlines by fishing, walking, swimming, diving, boating, and simply enjoying the wild beauty they offer. To open the door to private development along our coast completely undermines the values of Tasmanian people.

Development of our shared asset must be done respectfully and in consideration of the legislative tools already available.

Not only this but the draft legislation will weaken the ongoing Supreme Court case that is challenging the approval of the unwanted Robbins Island wind farm. The entire argument for why this legislation is needed rests on unreleased advice which the government claim raises legal problems with the Coastal Policy regarding developments on actively mobile landforms.

The proposed changes to the Tasmanian State Coastal Policy would open the door to private and commercial developments, as well as infrastructure such as marinas and wharves, to be built on already vulnerable and moving dune systems that are threatened by erosion, rising sea levels and increasingly severe weather storms. The government is acting without regard to the dangers our state faces from climate change or the fact that these shorelines offer crucial habitat for many endangered shorebirds. Not only that, but Tasmanians may face losing access to the coasts that they love and enjoy using. The very coasts that underpin our lifestyle and Tasmanian way of life.

Any proposed changes to the Tasmanian State Coastal Policy must follow the existing, legislated public consultation process, not be fast-tracked through parliament with a bill and only 14 days of consultation. The consultation period is woefully inadequate and does not reflect the time needed to genuinely inform and consult with the wider community and stakeholders on such a significant change. The standard State Policy Amendment Process is a minimum of 8 weeks public consultation, after a report is prepared by the Tasmanian Planning Commission, followed by hearings. This standard process must be adhered to.

**From:** Alison Wilson  
**To:** [State Planning Office Shared Mailbox](#)  
**Cc:**

**Subject:** Save Our Coasts: NO to fast tracking changes to weaken State Coastal Policy  
**Date:** Thursday, 25 July 2024 1:03:51 PM

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I'm deeply disturbed in the manner that the State Government is rushing through this proposed legislative changes in its piecemeal approach to the State Coastal Policy which has stood the test of time since its introduction in 1990. The Tasmanian community is proud and greatly enjoys our beautiful and natural coastal environment which has withstood the destruction and despoilment of so much industrial development which now plagues much of the Australian eastern coastline in particular. This is a major reason why so many mainlanders and overseas visitors come to Tasmania: to experience the natural beauty of Tasmania's unique and unspoilt coastal scenery.

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To allow only 2 weeks for public consultation instead of the 8 week legislated time period is NOT following due political process and is non-democratic.

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