2025 COPEP ANNUAL SEMINAR - Long-term planning and adaptation

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The impact of accelerating climate change requires us to continually find more efficient and effective solutions to adapt to and address the challenges it creates. This full day seminar will bring together speakers from state and national agencies, as well as practitioners from Australia and New Zealand to discuss aspects from: understanding new climate guidelines; future projections of waves and water levels in NSW; and how we can reduce our risk and increase our resilience.

Join us for a day of knowledge sharing, informative discussion and networking to enhance the way we manage our coastline and coastal structures for the future.

9:00	Registration and Coffee		
9:15	Welcome to country		
9:25	COPEP Chair		
Guidance			
9:30	Sarah Tasic NSW Reconstruction Authority	NSW State Disaster Mitigation Plan/disaster adaptation plan - A coastal context	
10:00	Michelle Fletcher NSW DCCEEW	Including SLR in Flood Risk Management	
10:30	Morning Tea (45 min)	Morning Tea (45 min)	
Present and Future Extremes			
11:15	Ben Hague BoM (ONLINE)	Past and future sea level rise and implications for coastal flooding in NSW: recent datasets and insights	
11:40	Dr Alberto Meucci CSIRO	Wind-Wave Climate and Projections for NSW in the Context of the Australian Climate Service's Efforts	
12:05	David Taylor Baird	Integration of real-time and historical measurements in the forecasting of coastal storms and extreme conditions	
12:30	Hannah Power U Newcastle	Estuaries: Sea level rise, uncertainty, and extreme water levels	
13:00	13:00 Lunch (1.25hr)		
Methods and Case Studies for Understanding Adaptation Planning			
14:15	Derek Todd Jacobs NZ (ONLINE)	Coastal Adaptation Strategies in NZ	
14:40	Hala Hubraq Pollenter	Coastal Adaptation Planning - A systems view to engineering solutions	
15:05	Mitch Harley UNSW	Revisiting storm demand curves: 90 years of surveying at Narrabeen	
15:30	Beth Fitzgerald/Patrick McCallum Worley Consulting	Sustainable Port Development	
15:55	Tom Shand Tonkin and Taylor	Adaptation of Coastal Structures – issues, options and triggers for adaptation	
16:20	Networking (including drin	Networking (including drinks and afternoon tea)	