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PLANS ADOPTED FOR EVANS HEAD COASTAL RESERVES

The Evans Head Coastal Reserves Plan of Management and Business Development Strategy for the Evans Head Recreational Reserve has been adopted.

Minister for Lands, Tony Kelly, said the coastal Crown reserves at Evans Head are noted for their outstanding coastal scenery and excellent beachfront and riverside recreational opportunities, and include the popular Silver Sands Holiday Park.

“The plan of management is a joint initiative between the Land and Property Management Authority and Richmond Valley Council that effectively integrates Crown reserve planning with the management objectives of the NSW Coastal Policy,” the Minister said.

“It provides a strong strategic framework to address the contemporary management challenges facing the Evans Head coastal Crown reserve system, while maximising opportunities for its future public use and enjoyment.”

Country Labor MLC for Clarence, Greg Donnelly, said the plan embraces a holistic, flexible and responsive approach to reserve management that will work to optimise environmental, social and economic outcomes for Evans Head and the wider community of NSW.

“As part of the process, the plans were put on public exhibition and local people were asked to comment on the proposals,” Mr Donnelly said.

“These comments were then incorporated into the final plans.

“This is another example of how the NSW Government is delivering on the priorities in the NSW State Plan, to invest in the future of regional communities and encourage more people to use Crown reserves for recreation.”