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Ms Janie Finlay Labor Member for Bass via Clerk of the House of Assembly Email: laura.ross@parliament.tas.gov.au

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Dear Ms Finlay

I write in response to your constituent question on 2 April 2025 in relation to maintenance of the foreshore track at Greens Beach.

The Tasmania Parks and Wildlife Service (PWS) are the responsible land manager for the majority of the foreshore track within the Greens Beach Conservation Area and neighbouring Narawntapu National Park.

The track has been subject to impacts from the presence of groundwater which is being addressed by the PWS in consultation with West Tamar Council (Council). The groundwater is a result of stormwater from private and council owned assets for which the Council has responsibility for.

PWS met with Council on Thursday, 10 April 2025 to discuss foreshore works in depth. The meeting was productive and has resulted in a collaboration between PWS, Council and the Water Management Division of the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania to address stormwater issues adjacent to 200 Greens Beach Road.

PWS engineers are identifying solutions for remediating this part of the track, following the impacts from stormwater wash-outs. Council also has an agreement with PWS to clean and maintain these assets.

PWS has agreed to undertake maintenance in several areas of the track to improve drainage and I am advised that these will be priority works to be undertaken as soon as possible.

PWS are also awaiting a quote for tree assessments which will be undertaken as soon as contractor availability allows. This is part of the 3-year Greens Beach tree assessment program. In addition to this planned program, PWS undertake ad-hoc tree inspections and works, as required.

I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the collaboration between PWS and the community as part of ongoing volunteering efforts in the area. I am pleased to advise the PWS has also recently updated its longstanding volunteer agreement with members of the Greens Beach community. I value and encourage the assistance that is provided by volunteers, as community members with a keen interest in caring for their local area. Volunteer programs are managed in accordance with the Department of Natural Resource and the Environment's Volunteer Management Framework.

Should you, or your constituent require any further information relating to management by PWS in the Greens Beach area, please contact Ian Sather, Parks & Reserves Manager on 0427 082 556 or via email on <a href="mailto:lan.Sather@parks.tas.gov.au">lan.Sather@parks.tas.gov.au</a>

Thank you for raising this important issue on behalf of your constituent.

Yours sincerely

Hon Nick Duigan MLC

**Minister for Parks**