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To: Members of the NSW Coastal Alliance

Re: Erosion of Old Bar beaches
A site specific, low risk and affordable solution

Old Bar Sand Replenishment Group has been working towards protective measures for Old Bar Beach which is rapidly eroding. This erosion is threatening \$250 million dollars of prime real estate, public assets such as the Surf Club and local Public School, recently upgraded at a cost of about \$10 million.

A feasibility study for the construction of artificial reefs was the first protective method we were introduced to, but we have been informed by Planning Minister Rob Stokes, on advice from the NSW Coastal Panel, that this measure will not be considered.

In our continuing research of other measures which have been tried and tested we have been in touch with **Angus Jackson** of International Coastal Management, (Based on the Gold Coast) who is also Executive Engineer of EcoCoast Marine Contracting (based in Dubai). These companies have delivered innovative and cost effective solutions to problems in the coastal zones around the world. Their many projects can be viewed on line.

Because of his sympathy to our plight he has made time in his busy schedule to prepare a site specific, low risk and affordable solution – **“Practical Long Term Solutions for preserving the Old Bar beaches and beachfront community,”** which he will present .

at Old Bar Surf Club - Sunday 16th August, 2015, at 2.30 p.m

We would like to give your organisation and members an opportunity to be present at this event given that many coastal communities are facing the problems that erosion poses.

We look forward to your attendance for this presentation.

Sincerely

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