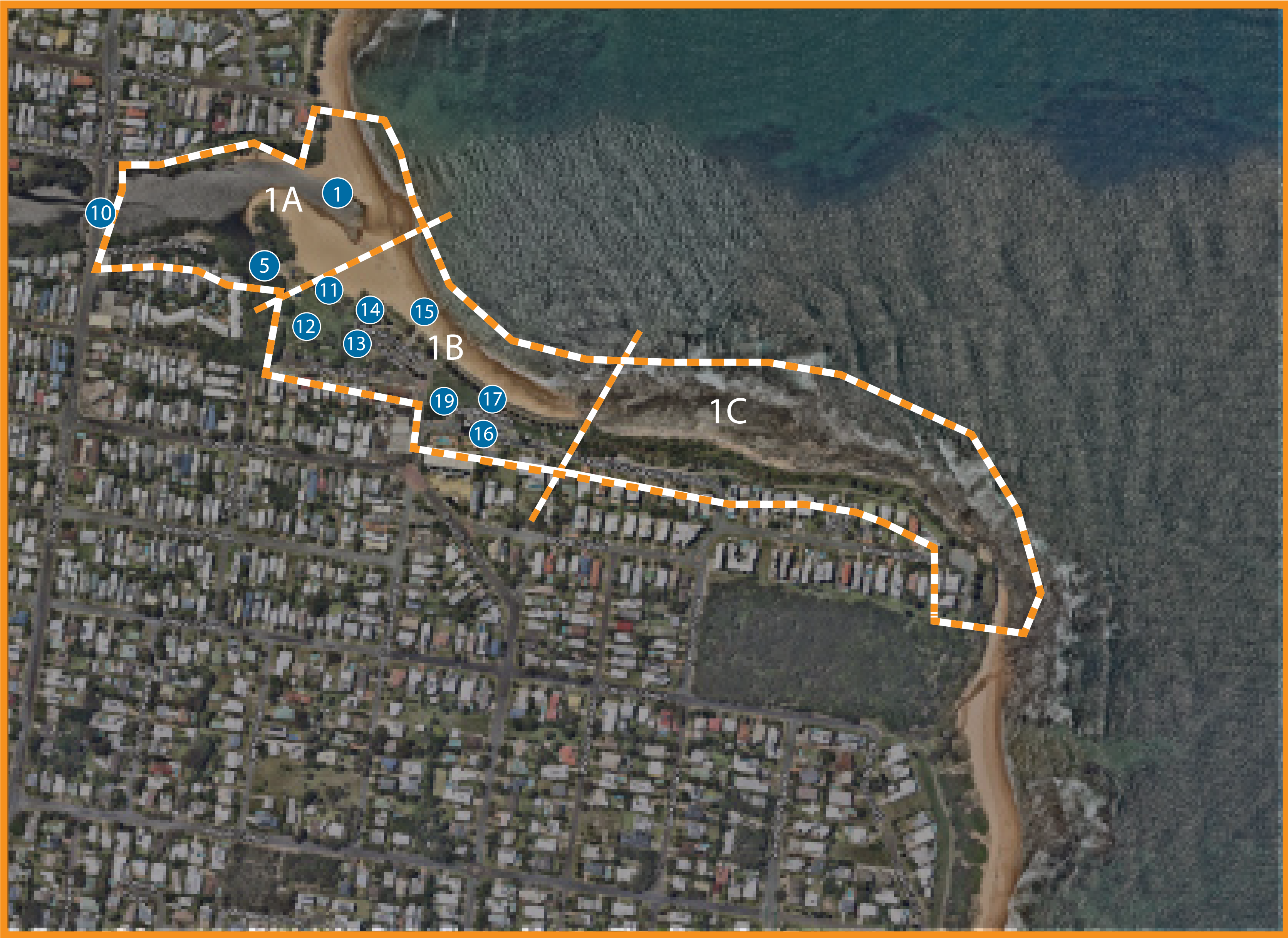


Zones 1A and 1B Moffat Beach



ZONE 1B Continued

› Old Strangler Fig growing over the Moffat Beach Playground appears to be ageing – consider the opportunity to plant new fig tree to start growing before old fig dies and the shade and amenity of the area is lost.	› An assessment of the health of the Strangler Fig has been undertaken and at this point in time it is displaying good health and doesn't require any intervention other than the current Parks and Gardens maintenance program which has been adopted to provide ongoing tree health/care.	› Continue to monitor long-term health of the strangler fig and consider the planting of a replacement strangler fig (in the tree) to grow over existing tree once the existing tree goes into permanent decline.
› Park infrastructure including rotundas are ageing and will need to be renewed to cater for increasing community use		› Recognition that the level of use for the Moffat Beach area has and continues to increase.
› Lack of shade in the Eleanor Shipley Memorial Park area makes the area very hot during the summer months.		› There is a lot of opportunity to enhance the Eleanor Shipley Park and Eleanor Shipley Memorial Park areas through a detailed recreation park master plan.
› The sandstone 'sails' art installations are not in keeping with the history and character of Moffat Beach.		› Parks and Gardens to undertake detailed visitor and public open space recreation use assessment of Eleanor Shipley Park and Moffat Beach areas to plan for and manage current and forecast demand and use.
› Moffat Beach experiencing significant increase in use impacting on the assets and user enjoyment.		
› The Coastal Path, where it departs from Queen of Colonies Parade, has a sharp angle turn that presents some risks to users.		
› In heavy rains this park floods over the coastal path near the bin – opportunity to improve the drainage at this location.		
› Queen of Colonies Parade very steep with high volumes of traffic on weekends and holidays – consider making this road one-way.		

Present Issues

Key Actions



Key Issues/ Considerations	Short-Term	Mid to Long-Term
ZONE 1A › Recognition of the values of Tooway Lake as an ICOLL (Intermittently closed and open lake and lagoon). › Tooway Lake ICOLL not being managed properly, in particular the ability for Tooway Lake to form a Lagoon without being physically opened. › Historical and current access to the lakes edge challenging efforts to revegetate and stabilise the banks on southern side of Tooway Lake. › Weed management requires a greater level of coordination between environment, and parks and gardens. › Concern about Tooway Lake and general area being loved to death – preference is to keep the area as natural as possible with no intensive use. › As the level of use of mouth of Tooway Lake / Moffat Beach increases, seasonal (holiday) SLSQ Patrols may need to be expanded in duration. › Beach (litter) clean-up tractor picking up rubbish, but also impacting on beach flora and fauna. › General presentation of area under the Elizabeth Street Bridge over Tooway Lake poor (including the eroded retaining wall) and accumulation of litter under bridge.	Short-Term › The Sunshine Coast Council Lake and Estuary Risk and Operational Management Protocols provide a guide for management. The Protocols recognise the importance and functioning of ICOLL's. › The Sunshine Coast Council Lake and Estuary Risk and Operational Management Protocols provide outline the Standard Operating Procedures for Tooway Lake. › Continue to deliver Council and Bushcare activities to manage exotic weeds on the southern side of Tooway Lake. › Value of Tooway Lake acknowledged and the pressures associated with current and forecast future population growth are recognised. › Liaise with SLSQ Sunshine Coast Branch to investigate current and potential future Patrol requirements to cater for increased levels of use. › Clean up tractor from Parks & Gardens service area twice a week. Works undertaken with permit from DES and no evidence of impacts have been identified. › Cleaning under bridge undertaken as required and generally associated with anti-social behaviour. › Environmental Operations to increase waterway clean up frequency and monitor results.	Mid to Long-Term › The Sunshine Coast Council Lake and Estuary Risk and Operational Management Protocols provide a guide for management. The Protocols recognise the importance and functioning of ICOLL's. › CHAS action 4.4.7 Undertake technical investigation to update ICOLL management strategy. › Increase the level of active coordinated management between Environmental Operations, Parks and Gardens and volunteer groups to reduce the spread of weeds.
ZONE 1B › Eleanor Shipley Park › Management of interface between the grassed area in Eleanor Shipley Park and sand area › Ageing flood lighting in Eleanor Shipley Park contributing to unnecessary light spill onto Moffat Beach. › Public lighting (BBQ Shelter and toilet facilities) in Eleanor Shipley Park contributing to light spill impacts on turtle nesting habitat on Moffat Beach. › Maintenance of the Cottonwood Tree in the north-east corner of Eleanor Shipley Park to maintain the communities historical connection to this climbing tree. › Collection of marine life including shellfish from the intertidal marine zone impacting on its ecological values. › Safety considerations with leaning Norfolk Pine tree located in car park. › Itchy (Needle) Tree growing adjacent to coastal path provides discomfort when walk on the (leaves / flowers / seeds ?) in bare feet.	Short-Term › Maintain as unfenced area allowing unobstructed access between grass and beach area. › Replace ageing park / flood lighting in Eleanor Shipley Park with dark sky and turtle sensitive park lighting with motion activation after 8pm, that is considerate of park use activities . › Upgrade Public lighting (BBQ Shelter and toilet facilities, car park and general park lighting) in Eleanor Shipley Park with dark sky and turtle sensitive park lighting with motion activation after 8pm, that is considerate of CEPTED requirements . › Retain Cottonwood Tree as part of the recreation park in recognition of its historical use and maintain current management practices including extent management. › Liaise with State Government Department of Agriculture and Fisheries to install education signage on the taking of marine animals (shellfish etc) at the Moffat Beach boat ramp › Remove Norfolk Pine identified as a safety risk and ensure replacement Norfolk Pine planting to maintain local character.. › The itchy tree is a Norfolk Island Hibiscus, Lagunaria patersonia. Council to continue to mulch out the entire footprint of the tree to help discourage people from walking underneath the tree. When the tree is fruiting, seasonal exclusion of the area immediately underneath the tree is implemented.	Mid to Long-Term › Consider the relocation of the seat from underneath the tree to further reduce the likelihood for park users to come in contact with the fruits.