

HERITAGE ESTATE EROSION & SECURITY WORKS PROCEED

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SOIL EROSION WORKS ADVICE

The Soil Conservation Service has commenced works in Area A adjacent to the Wool Road. The 2 week schedule for the area may extend with the recent wet weather. Three types of materials are being stored and used: an aggregate, mulch, and logs and stumps. The native mulch is from the Bayswood site. There is no intention to use externally sourced top soil.

HEST has formally approached Council by letter with concerns that trail bike intrusion from the Old Erowal Bayside had increased and could threaten the erosion works. A prompt response from Council has been received acknowledging our concerns, which Council shares and the letter in response notes:



WARNING

MACHINERY OPERATING IN THIS AREA
SOIL EROSION CONTROL AND REHABILITATION WORKS IN PROGRESS TO PROTECT WATER QUALITY IN ST GEORGES BASIN

SHOALHAVEN CITY COUNCIL RESPONSE TO HEST (SUMMARY)

- *Additional post and cable fencing is being installed beside the gates at both ends of Birriga Avenue and Wanawong Boulevard. [HEST notes this is also happening at other entrances on the Erowal Bay Road]
- *Council's Natural Resources and Floodplain Unit is investigating the possible trail bike crossings over Worroing Waterway . . .
- *As part of the erosion control work, logs and root balls will be strategically placed to protect the treated areas. .

In terms of your request to bring forward work on the 'trail bike circuit' the immediate priorities are to complete the area adjacent to Old Erowal Bay, and then to construct a 'level spreader' in the south-eastern corner of the Estate. To divert much of the runoff around the trail bike circuit.



Aggregate is used to fill gullies, then mulched over. Mulch is being applied directly to some road surfaces. Logs and stumps will be applied to thwart intrusions. At the same time posts, blocks and boulders are being secured to heavy duty steel rope.



HEST is produced to inform and promote interest in the natural environment of the Heritage Estate and the resolution of issues inherent in this community issue. HEST will be produced on an occasional, needs basis. N.B. All photos used in HEST are from Heritage Estate. Cheers to all Chris Grounds