Policy – Maritime Property – Strategic Planning

1. Policy statement

Maritime Properties are valuable public assets used by the broader community, providing amenity and generating revenue for the NSW Government. As such, it is important to ensure that a planned approach to the management of Maritime Properties is undertaken in order to optimise social, environmental, economic and commercial outcomes and balance the needs of users, the broader community, other stakeholders and the NSW Government.

2. Scope and coverage

The planning process forms the basis of a centralised management approach of the portfolio to ensure that Roads and Maritime Services land is identified for specific and lawful uses and that the portfolio is aggregated accordingly to best achieve the operational, community and financial goals of Roads and Maritime Services within the constraints imposed by legal and legislative requirements, external economic factors, and physical limitations.

This Policy applies to:

- preparation of Strategic Property Plan in order to ensure that the on-going management of the Maritime Properties is undertaken professionally, effectively, and in compliance with all policy, legal and legislative requirements. The Strategic Property Plan will be used to determine the primary activities required to be undertaken for the ensuing year(s);
- assessment and Categorisation of property to ensure Roads and Maritime Services maximises the return from the property, delivers equitable and appropriate allocation of properties and provides the community with the required amenity;
- all staff, contractors, skill hire, and consultants engaged by Roads and Maritime Services.

3. Purpose and intended outcomes

This policy documents Roads and Maritime Services position with respect to planning the management of Maritime Property.

Adherence to this policy will ensure that decisions to acquire, develop, lease and/or dispose of property are soundly planned and that the process is managed efficiently to meet Roads and Maritime Services and community requirements.

Implementation of this policy will require the establishment and updating of appropriate property management systems.

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