



MEDIA RELEASE
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Waratah-Wynyard Mayor Robby Walsh said a portion of Port Road at Boat Harbour Beach will remain closed for up to a number of months in the interests of public safety.

A load limit of 5 tonnes has been placed on the section road today following an assessment by geotechnical engineers.

The section of the road heading out of Boat Harbour Beach has subsided following recent flooding and will be difficult to address until the area is dry enough for repairs.

“Council is taking the appropriate action to address the issue on Port Road and Council officers have been on site with geotechnical engineers today to gain their advice on the best way to repair this section of road,” Mayor Walsh said.

“Due to the prolonged period of wet weather it is difficult to manage in the short term, however, a permanent solution will be put in place as soon as the situation improves.”

Alternative arrangements will be made for rubbish and recycling collection and further advice will be provided once these are in place.

Council will also holding a community information session on the situation as soon as possible.

Meanwhile Mayor Walsh thanked Boat Harbour residents and those visiting the area for their continued patience.

“It is fortunate that while this section of Port Road is limited to a single lane, that there is continued access into the area,” Mayor Walsh said.

“I urge all drivers to take care and drive to the conditions in the meantime.”

Council officers and geotechnical engineers are now working on finalising designs to address the issue, which will be in place as soon as possible.

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