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Geotextile container wall works delayed at Inverloch

Unseasonal weather conditions and high tides have made progress on the installation of the 70-metre geotextile container wall along the Surf Life Saving Club area of the Inverloch foreshore difficult, resulting in a delay in completion.

Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) Acting Regional Manager Gippsland, Land and Built Environment Programs Kellinde Chester, said: “It is unfortunate that the installation of the wall is delayed, but our contractors have been battling the elements since commencing works in early February.

“This has resulted in a revised construction schedule and completion date of mid to late April 2020.

“To assist with the constructability of the wall and the high water levels, a temporary bund wall consisting of approximately 120 tonnes of rock has been installed. This will help protect the build site and enable the contractors to progress the works.

“Even though there are delays, access to the beach remains fully open during construction and there will be no impacts during the school and Easter holiday periods,” Ms Chester said.

The additional works will be funded by DELWP as part of the overall budget.

The multi-agency Inverloch Coastal Protection Working Group will continue to actively monitor the area and investigate short-term options for the erosion occurring at the Bunurong Road area nearby Surf Parade.

For further information regarding coastal protection works at Inverloch, please contact DELWP on 03 5172 0600.

