

# TRESBP ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING SUMMARY

## JULY 2013

### OVERVIEW

In July, 2013:

- 35,699 m<sup>3</sup> of sand was pumped to Snapper Rocks East and 2,841 m<sup>3</sup> of sand was pumped to Duranbah Beach.
- There were no media articles relating to the project.
- Significant wave heights were about average for most of the month with a minor storm event recorded (from the 1<sup>st</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup>) with peak significant wave heights to 3.5 m and two brief moderate sea events recorded (one on the 25<sup>th</sup> and one on 30<sup>th</sup>). Wave direction ranged from ENE to ESE but was dominantly from E.
- 1,579 vessel crossings were recorded for the month (this is about 20% less than the July average).
- The estimated amount of sand moving north towards the Tweed River Entrance by natural processes was in the order of 70,000 m<sup>3</sup> (this is slightly greater than the July average of about 65,000 m<sup>3</sup>).

### 1. SAND PUMPING & DREDGING

#### **Sand Delivery July 2013**

Pumped:	38,540 m <sup>3</sup>
Dredged:	0 m <sup>3</sup>
Total:	38,540 m <sup>3</sup>

#### **Sand Delivery January to July 2013 (YTD)**

Pumped:	224,055 m <sup>3</sup>
Dredged:	0 m <sup>3</sup>
Total:	224,055 m <sup>3</sup>

#### **Sand Delivery January to July 2012**

Pumped:	282,933 m <sup>3</sup>
Dredged:	0 m <sup>3</sup>
Total:	282,933 m <sup>3</sup>

#### **Stage II Sand Delivery May 2000 to June 2013**

Pumped:	6,989,054 m <sup>3</sup>
Dredged:	2,039,104 m <sup>3</sup>
Total:	9,028,158 m <sup>3</sup>

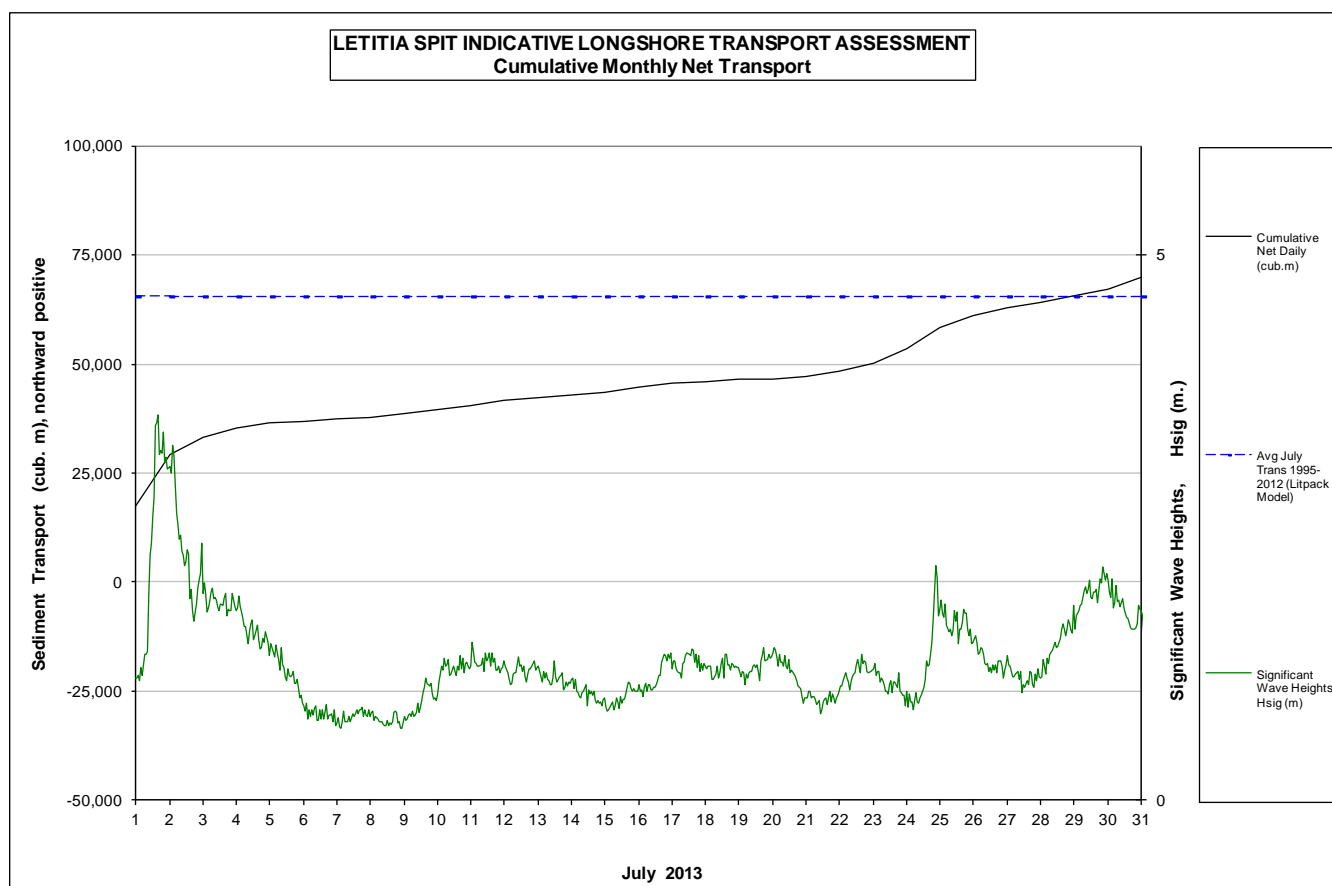


## 2. INDICATIVE LONGSHORE TRANSPORT

The graph below is based on simplified sediment transport modelling and is indicative only.


In July 2013 the estimated natural sand transport (moving North towards the Tweed River entrance): was calculated to be in the order of 70,000 m<sup>3</sup>.

This result is slightly greater than the average estimated sand transport quantity of approximately 65,000 m<sup>3</sup> for the month of July.



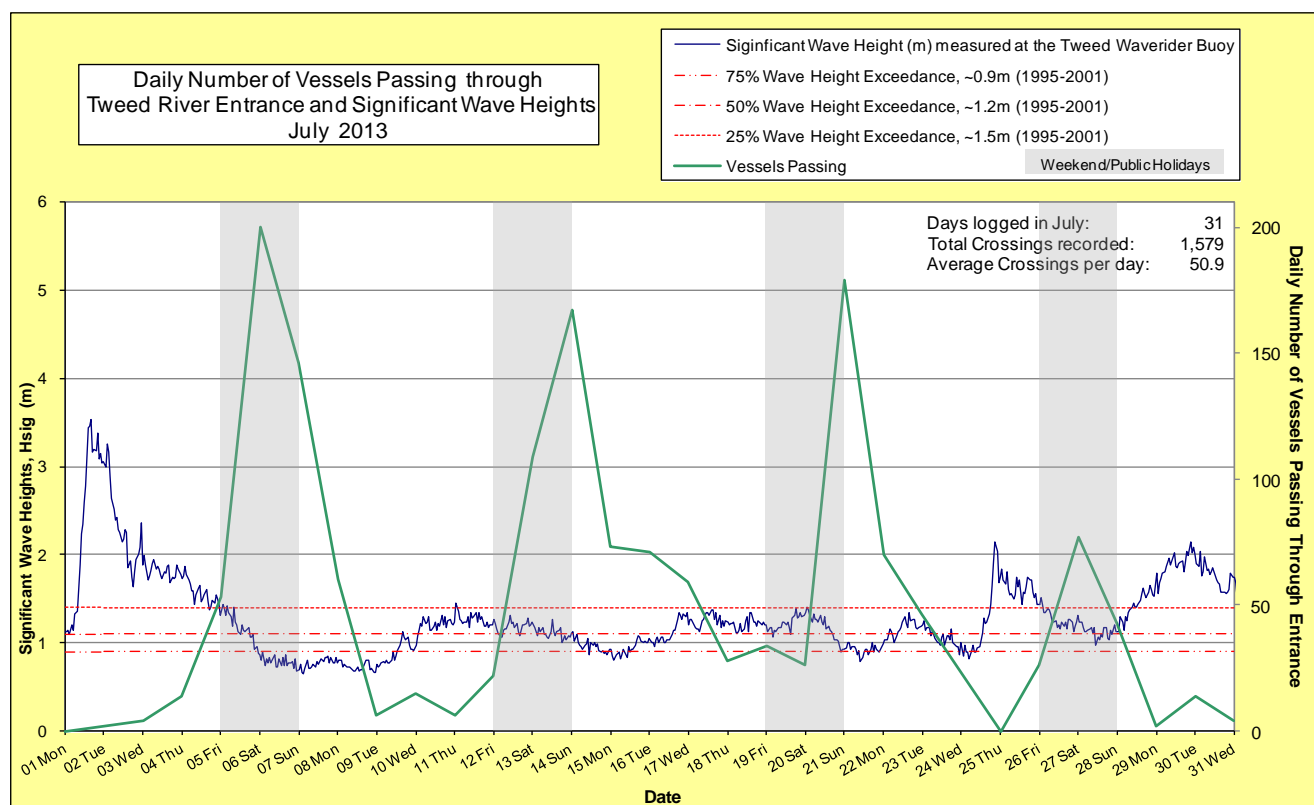
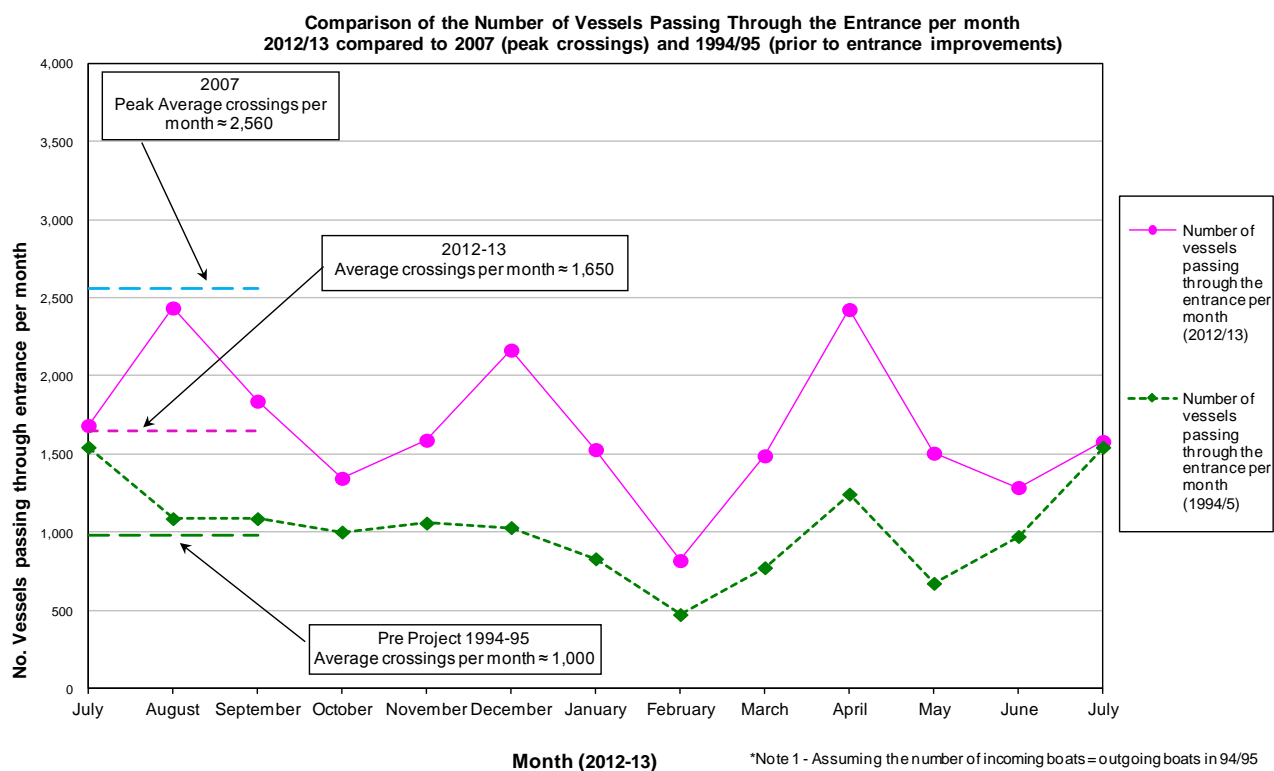
## 3. MEDIA COVERAGE

There were no media articles directly relating to the project during July.

**4. TWEED RIVER ENTRANCE CONDITIONS****MARINE RESCUE NSW - MONITORING RESULTS**
 Weekends and public holidays

Date	Navigation Rating Impassable-----Good					Number of Boats
	Impassable (1)	Difficulty Encountered (2)	Some Difficulty Encountered (3)	Relatively Good Crossing (4)	Good Conditions (5)	
1 <sup>st</sup>						0
2 <sup>nd</sup>						2
3 <sup>rd</sup>						4
4 <sup>th</sup>						14
5 <sup>th</sup>						53
6 <sup>th</sup>						200
7 <sup>th</sup>						146
8 <sup>th</sup>						60
9 <sup>th</sup>						6
10 <sup>th</sup>						15
11 <sup>th</sup>						6
12 <sup>th</sup>						22
13 <sup>th</sup>						109
14 <sup>th</sup>						167
15 <sup>th</sup>						73
16 <sup>th</sup>						71
17 <sup>th</sup>						59
18 <sup>th</sup>						28
19 <sup>th</sup>						34
20 <sup>th</sup>						26
21 <sup>st</sup>						179
22 <sup>nd</sup>						70
23 <sup>rd</sup>						46
24 <sup>th</sup>						23
25 <sup>th</sup>						0
26 <sup>th</sup>						26
27 <sup>th</sup>						77
28 <sup>th</sup>						43
29 <sup>th</sup>						2
30 <sup>th</sup>						14
31 <sup>st</sup>						4
<b>Total</b>						<b>1,579</b>

Source: Marine Rescue NSW, Point Danger



## 5. WAVE CONDITIONS

Wave Conditions over the month: Significant wave heights were about average for most of the month with a minor storm event recorded (from the 1<sup>st</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup>) with peak significant wave heights to 3.5 m and two brief moderate sea events recorded (one on the 25<sup>th</sup> and one on 30<sup>th</sup>). Wave direction ranged from ENE to ESE but was dominantly from E.

Major sea events: 1<sup>st</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of July.

Monthly minimum significant wave height: 0.7 m on 8<sup>th</sup> July.

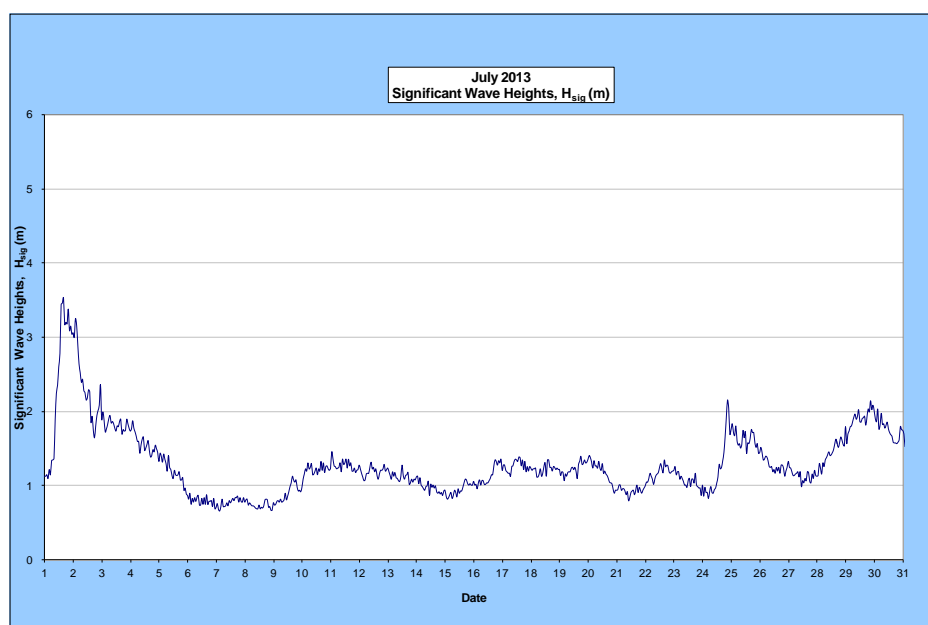
Monthly peak significant wave height: 3.5 m on 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

Number of days on which waves were below 1.0 m: 10 days

Number of days on which waves were above 2.0 m: 5 days

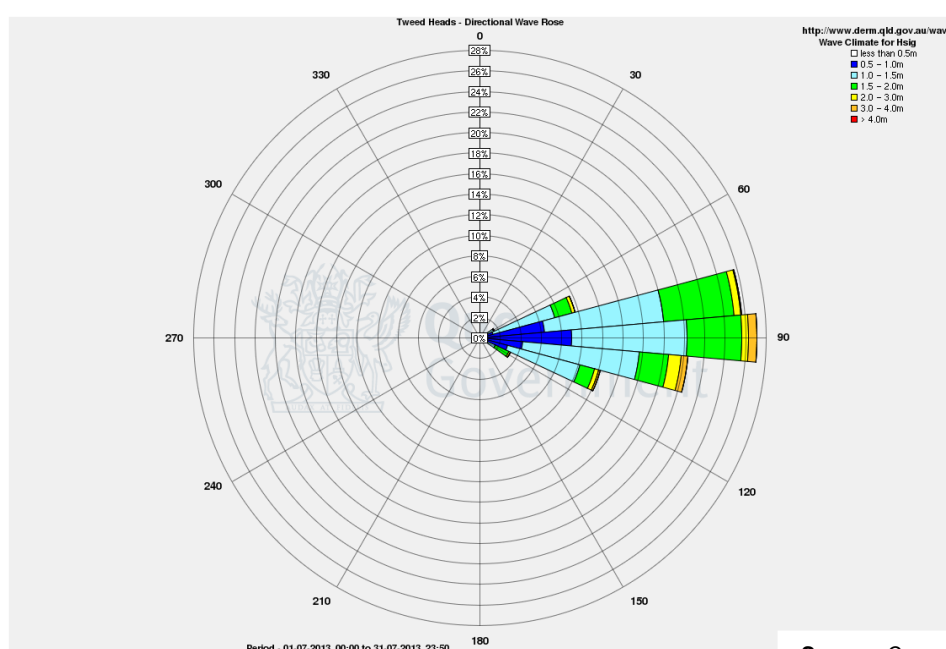
**Note:** Significant wave heights or  $H_{sig}$  is the average of the highest one third of recorded waves.

(Source: Tweed & Brisbane Wave Buoy; Queensland Government)



A link to data recorded by the Tweed Waverider Buoy is available at: <http://www.ehp.qld.gov.au/coastal/monitoring/waves/index.php>

## WAVE DIRECTION



Source: Queensland Government

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