

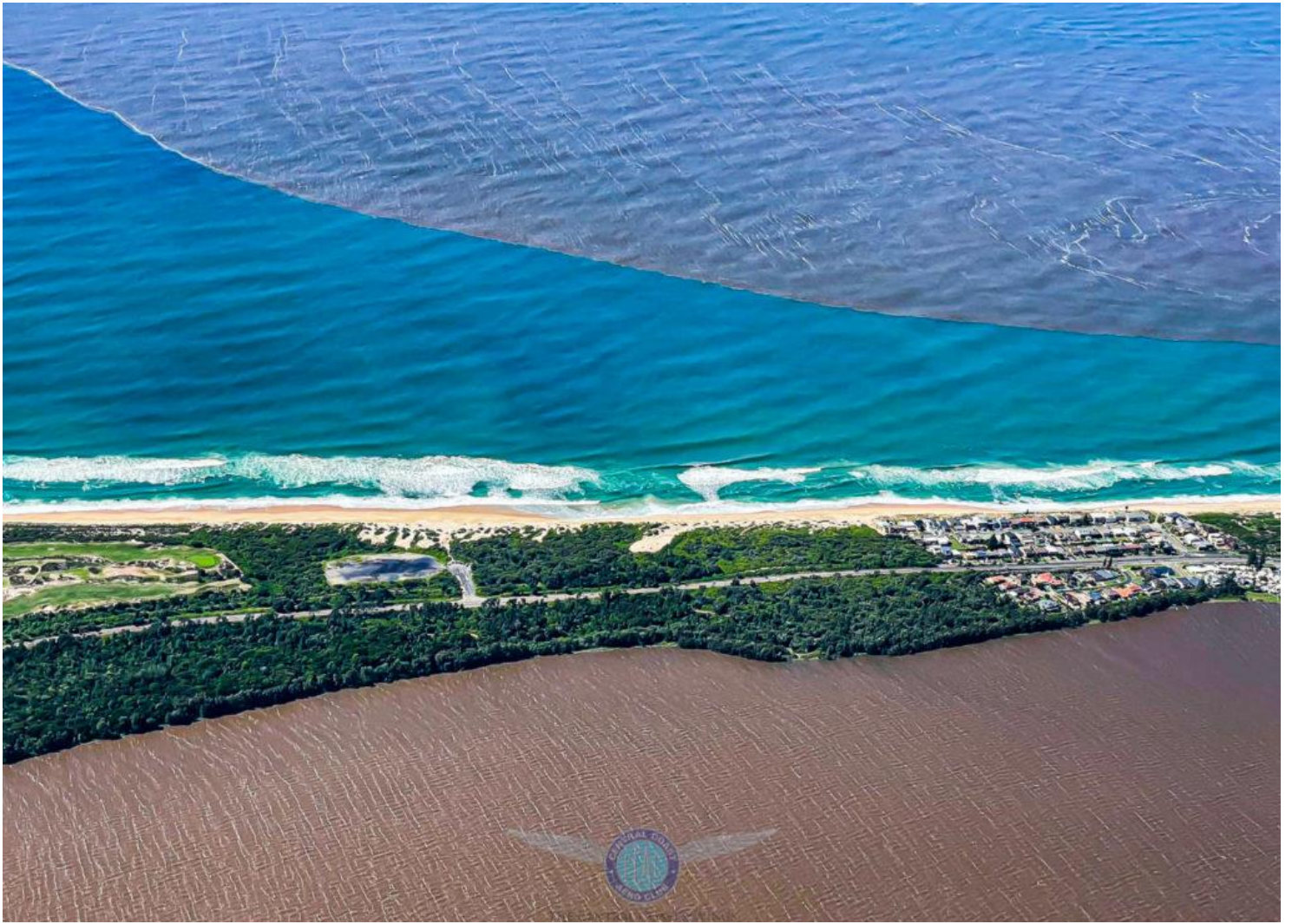
# Incredible New Images Show Extent Of Tuggerah Lake Flooding As Council Commences Clean Up

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Incredible new images have shown the extent of the floodwaters receding from Tuggerah Lake following days of severe weather.

The images shared by the Central Coast Aero Club show the murky brown waters receding through The Entrance Channel from Tuggerah Lake and out into the bright blue ocean.





Water levels in Tuggerah Lake are now 0.7 metres, which is below the minor flood level of 0.9 metres.

And with the flood waters finally receding across the region, Central Coast Council has commenced the clean-up following major impacts to the Coast's roads, water, sewer services and waterways.

Multiple roads and waterways have been affected by the severe weather, with Central Coast Council's Acting Chief Executive Officer Rik Hart saying crews are still on the ground surveying damage and responding to multiple incidents across the region.

*"As a result of the recent heavy rainfall and flooding across the Coast, many road surfaces have deteriorated due to water penetrating and weakening the underlying pavement. Under the stress of traffic, this can cause potholes and other damage," Mr Hart said.*

Mr Hart said crews have attended hundreds of callouts.

*“Throughout the severe weather event, Council’s road crews have attended over 450 callouts, affecting more than 110 roads across the Coast, with multiple road closures still in place,” Mr Hart said.*

Mr Hart confirmed crews have fixed 537 potholes in the past 24 hours, with crews set to work across the weekend to fix the significant damage.

*“Council road crews are working hard to remove trees, fix potholes, repair other damage and re-open roads – with 537 potholes repaired in the past 24 hours alone,” Mr Hart said,*

*“Crews are working hard and will be mobilised for the weekend with support from contractors to respond to the significant damage to our road network – we ask for the community’s patience as we prioritise responses.”*

Mr Hart said Central Coast Council will support flood-affected residents with the responsible disposals of waste.

*“Weekly kerbside bin collection services are continuing as scheduled and in cases where roads are closed or inaccessible, trucks will return when safe to do so. Please leave your bins out on the kerb as trucks will operate outside of normal hours if needed,” Mr Hart said,*

Mr Hart encouraged residents to book their bulk curbside collections if need-be.

*“Residents can book a standard bulk kerbside collection service for both excess garden waste, or non-putrescible bulk waste such as flood-affected furniture or fittings. Households are entitled to up to six general or green waste bulk kerbside collections a year, which reset annually on 1 February,” Mr Hart said.*

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