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## **Seawalls Project Contractor Appointment – Saibai, August 2015.**

On Friday 28th of August 2015 Torres Strait Island Regional Council (TSIRC) awarded the Saibai Seawall and Bund Wall Construction project to Koppens Developments Pty Ltd. This significant construction contract has been entered into with the approval of the Councillors and the support of Commonwealth and State Government agencies providing funding for the Seawalls projects in the Torres Strait. The project will address the inundation issues affecting the Saibai community through construction of a seawall on the foreshore and an earthen bund wall at the rear of the community.

The construction works are schedule to begin in October and completed by end of 2016. The project will deliver many long-term benefits for the community through upgrading the inundation and erosion management and thereby improving the standard of living of the community. The contractor has agreed to provide 6,000 hours of local employment and 4,500 hours of certified training as part of the construction works on the island.

The \$13.95 million works are part of the Torres Strait Seawalls Project, which is a joint initiative between the Commonwealth and the Queensland State Governments, and are being delivered in partnership with TSIRC.

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