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**TOURISM** 

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## **Facilitating tourism**

# Objective

To encourage tourism development to maximise the economic, social and cultural benefits of developing the state as a competitive domestic and international tourist destination.

## **Strategies**

Encourage the development of a range of well-designed and sited tourist facilities, including integrated resorts, accommodation, host farm, bed and breakfast and retail opportunities.

Seek to ensure that tourism facilities have access to suitable transport.

Promote tourism facilities that preserve, are compatible with and build on the assets and qualities of surrounding activities and attractions.

Create innovative tourism experiences.

Encourage investment that meets demand and supports growth in tourism.

# **Policy guidelines**

Consider as relevant:

Any applicable regional tourism development strategy.

# **Policy documents**

Consider as relevant:

■ Tourism Investment Guidelines – Your Guide to Tourism Investment in Victoria (Tourism Victoria, 2008)

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## **Tourism**

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## **Strategies**

Encourage the use and development of land for small-scale tourist activities that are associated with, or enhance the use of, the land for agricultural purposes.

Support the development of major attractions that serve as key drawcards for visitors.

Support local events, festivals, and developments based around arts, culture, and heritage.

Support boutique retail and tourism opportunities in Ballan town centre.

Promote tourism uses and development in Blackwood that retain the key characteristics of the area, such as heritage values and significant landscapes.

Attract visitor stays by directing tourist accommodation and infrastructure to townships.

Activate the natural environment through investment in infrastructure and trails.

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### Coastal and maritime tourism and recreation

## **Objective**

To encourage a diverse range of strategically located and well-designed coastal and maritime tourism and recreational opportunities that strengthen people's connection with the marine and coastal environment.

### **Strategies**

Support safe and sustainable recreation and tourism development including ecotourism, tourism and major maritime events that:

- Responds to identified demand.
- Minimises impact on environmental and cultural values.
- Minimises impact on other users.
- Minimises direct and cumulative impacts.
- Maintains public safety.
- Responds to the carrying capacity of the site.
- Minimises exposure to coastal hazard risks and risks posed by climate change.

Ensure a diverse range of accommodation options and coastal experiences are provided for and maintained.

Ensure sites and facilities are accessible to all.

Ensure tourism development, within non-urban areas, demonstrates a tourist accommodation need and supports a nature-based approach.

Ensure development is of an appropriate scale, use and intensity relative to its location and minimises impacts on the surrounding natural, visual, environmental and coastal character.

Develop a network of maritime precincts around Port Phillip and Western Port that serve both local communities and visitors.

Maintain and expand boating and recreational infrastructure around the bays in maritime precincts at Frankston, Geelong, Hastings, Hobsons Bay, Mordialloc, Mornington, Patterson River, Portarlington, Queenscliff, St Kilda, Stony Point/Cowes and Wyndham.

Support a sustainable network of facilities for recreational boating and water-based activities that respond to:

- Identified demand.
- Use and safety considerations.
- The carrying capacity of the location.
- Coastal processes.
- Environmental values.

Strategically plan and operate ports to complement each other in the context of the broader economy, transport networks and the maritime and coastal environments within which they are regulated.

Provide public access to recreational facilities and activities on land and water.

## Policy guidelines

Consider as relevant:

- Coastal Spaces Landscape Assessment Study (Department of Sustainability and Environment, 2006)
- Gippsland Boating Coastal Action Plan 2013 Gippsland Coastal Board

- Recreational Boating Facilities Framework July 2014 Central Coastal Board
- Western Boating Coastal Action Plan 2010 Western Coastal Board

# **Policy documents**

Consider as relevant:

- Marine and Coastal Policy (Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, 2020)
- Marine and Coastal Strategy (Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, 2022)
- Siting and Design Guidelines on the Victorian Coast (Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, 2020)