

Bridge Over Dawesville Channel

Coastal Bloopers

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The following are some of the examples of coastal development that have resulted in unacceptable environment degradation. Conservation Council is preparing a comprehensive list of blunders in coastal planning so if you have any more, let us know.

Mandurah

Dawesville Cut-Port Bouvarde

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Creery Wetlands

Predictions of tidal range changes from the Dawesville Cut were significantly under-estimated. Major fringing vegetation losses occurring in the Harvey estuary, wader bird habitats lost and mosquito plagues (very high Ross River fever risk and heavy spraying with pesticides). Toxic algae problems now pushed up Serpentine and Murray Rivers.

Canal development has intruded onto important water-bird habitat. Vegetation that was supposed to be saved is now dying off from saline ground-water intrusion .

Two Views! Bridge over Dawesville Channel.



*Wooded hill in August 2002
turned to...*



*...land cleared and terraced for housing
August 2003*