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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

A Fisherman's Memorial Promenade and Passenger Terminal is being planned as part of a community marina facility for Lincoln Cove at Port Lincoln.

The Tacoma Preservation Society (TPS) is making application to the Building Better Regions Fund under the Infrastructure Projects Stream for \$140,000 to ensure a pontoon floatation device is established alongside a long-term berth for the South Australian Historic Tuna Clipper – MFV Tacoma.

The Lincoln Cove Marina is one of the busiest waterways in Australia, with continued activity by over 350 vessels regularly utilising the marina. This vastly increases during sea faring events, such as the Adelaide to Lincoln Yacht Race and the Lincoln Week Sailing Regatta.

The Marina experience while containing many interesting features, presently caters poorly to pedestrian traffic and the Tacoma Preservation Society hopes to change this. Its objective is to maintain public access to the waterfront without compromising safety. Marina activities will be enhanced by having greater access to the site by both land and water.

I understand they are working closely with the Port Lincoln City Council and the Australian National Maritime Museum to ensure the Fisherman's Memorial Promenade and Passenger Terminal reflects Council's development objectives while promoting expansion of the tourist industry.

At present, Port Lincoln does not have a dedicated passenger or recreation marine loading point and it is therefore anticipated that a marine access pontoon will be built to cater for an estimated 20,000 people per year.

It is proposed that the overall design will incorporate historic markers to depict fishing history to enhance this now ageing marina.

The Tacoma Preservation Society believes this will help to increase tourism and provide employment during the developmental stage. It will further provide future economic benefits derived from tourism and possibly attract other niche businesses.

These marine enthusiasts are dedicated to the aim of preserving a piece of Australian Maritime history and have already spent thousands of hours restoring and preserving the Tacoma.

It encapsulates the spirit of Port Lincoln and the role it has played in the development of the fishing industry.

I support the Tacoma Preservation Society's application and believe it will greatly enhance and add to the design concept proposed for the Lincoln Cove Marina.

Yours sincerely

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