



Department of
Primary Industries

Shellfish farmers addressing community concerns

DPI - Ian Lyall

Sapphire Coast Wilderness Oysters – Anna Simonds

South Coast Mariculture – Sam Gordon

Social licence

“the level of acceptance or approval that neighbours and communities extend to an industry”

OISAS + EMS + BAP

- good neighbour policy
- estuarine stewardship policy
- commitment to comply with standards

Seafood festivals

Tide to Tip/flood work

Community Trust in Rural Industries Survey 2021

“If you know there’s a social license risk, it’s much better to be vocal about what you’re doing”

Rachel King

Trust depends on:

limiting impact on others

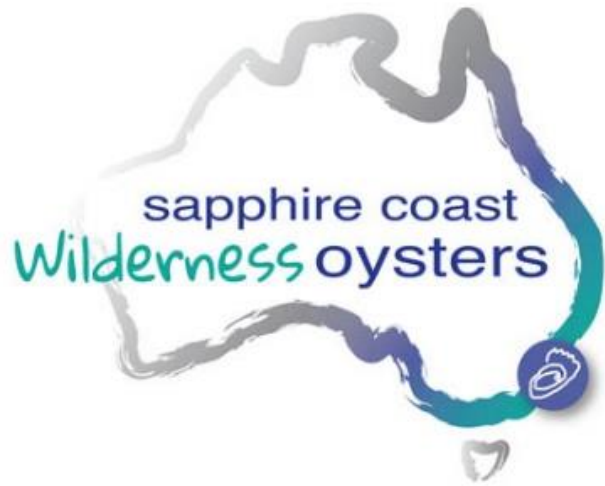
being responsive to concerns

promoting the quality of the product

sharing the benefits of farming industries

Sapphire Coast Wilderness Oysters (SCWO)

- Who are SCWO?

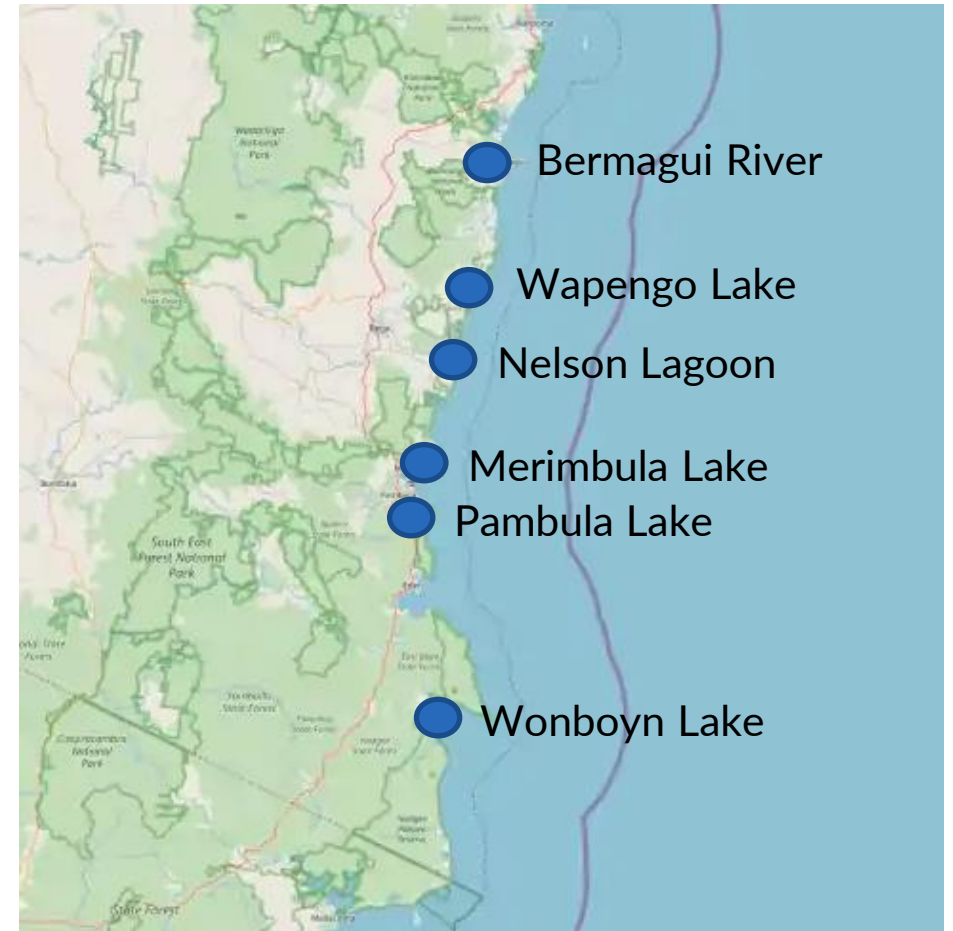
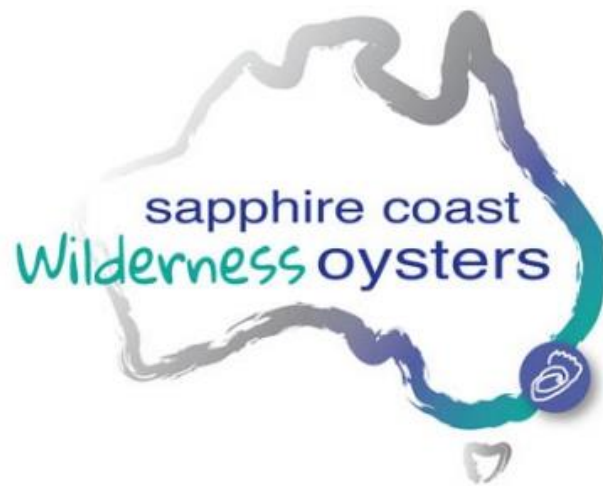


Oyster Farmers of the Sapphire Coast Cultivating a Sustainable Future

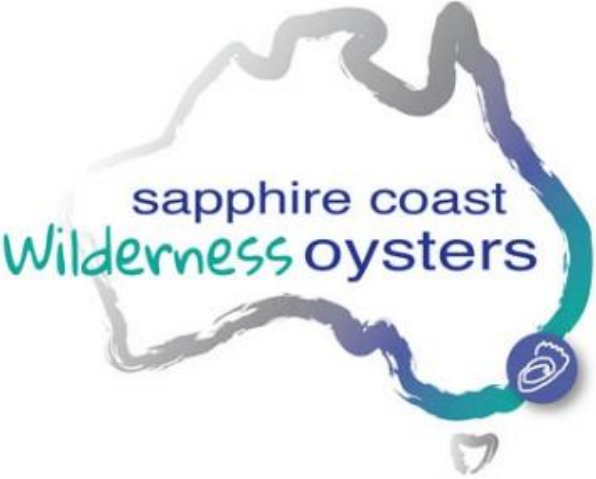
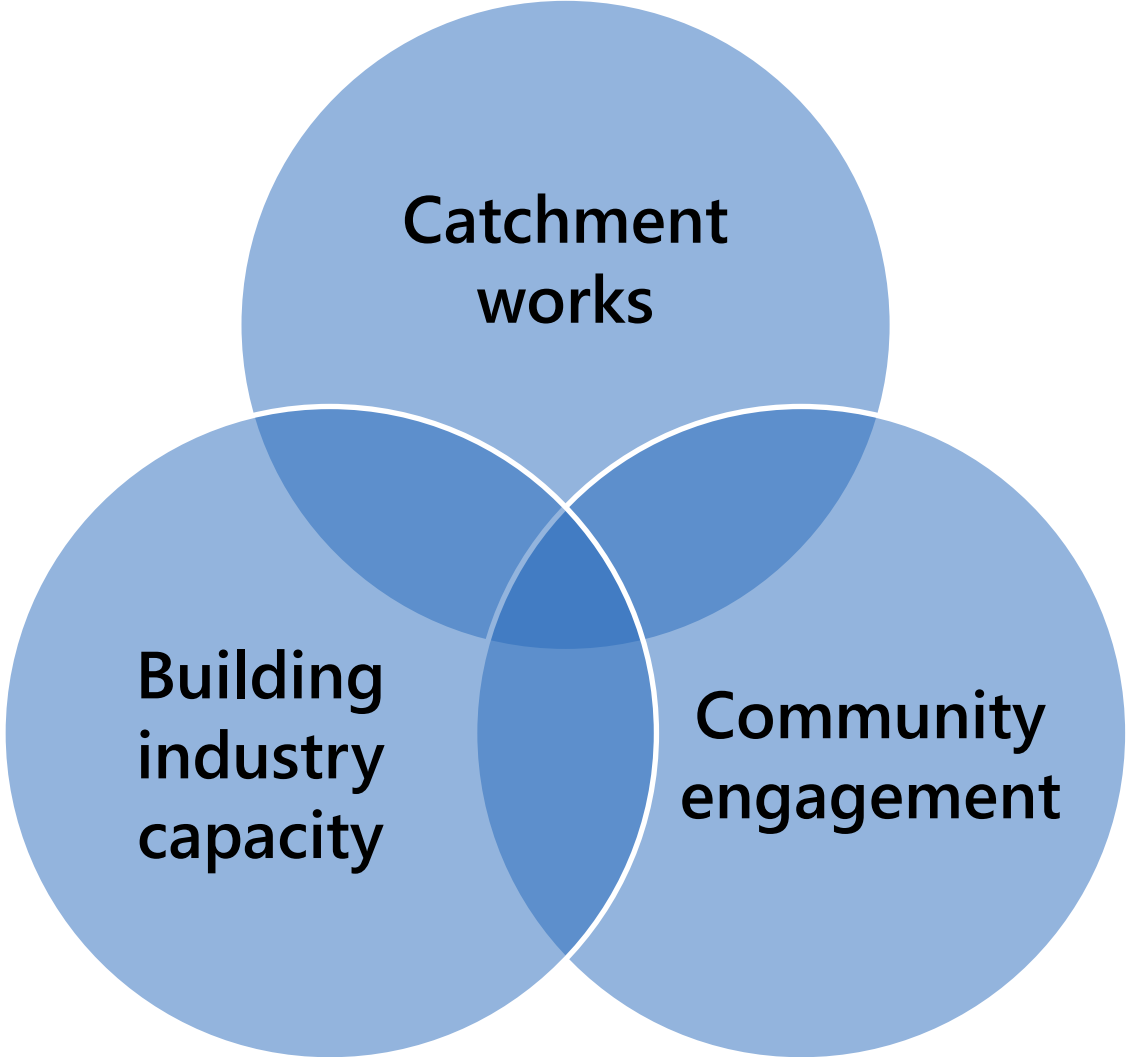
"It is our obligation to protect our coastal resources for future generations, so they can enjoy the same foods and lifestyle that we share today."

Sapphire Coast profile

- All one LGA: Bega Valley
- 25 percent of NSW oyster production
- Significant contribution to region's tourism industry



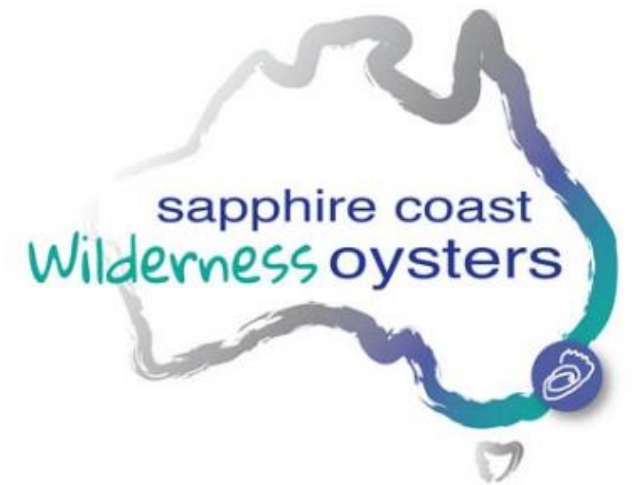
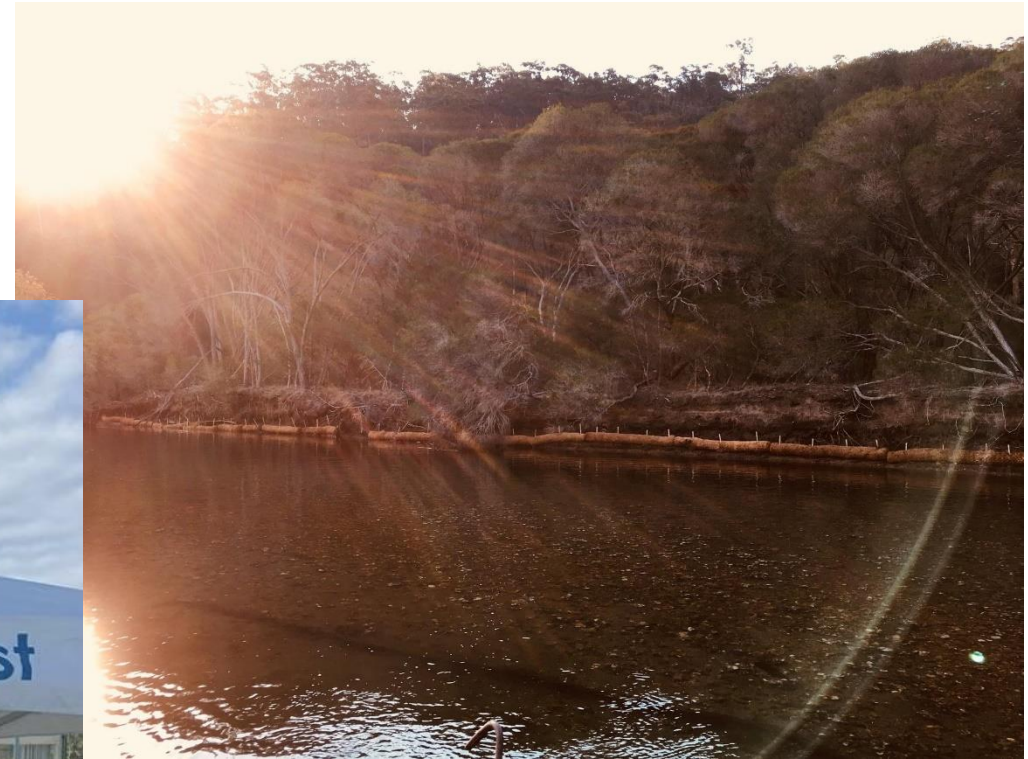
How did SCWO build 'social licence to operate'?



SCWO at work...



SCWO at work (continued)...



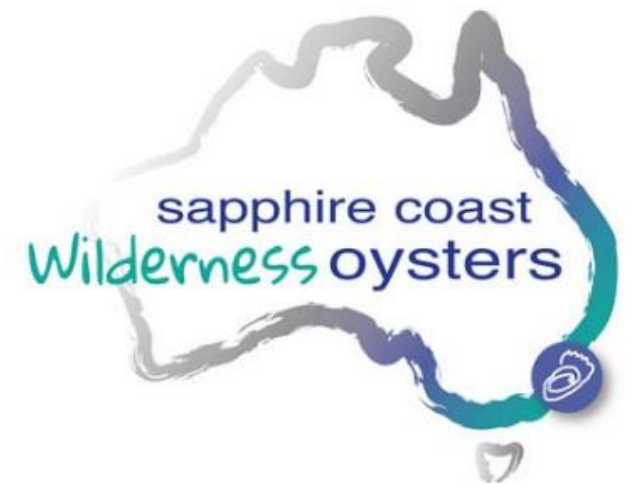
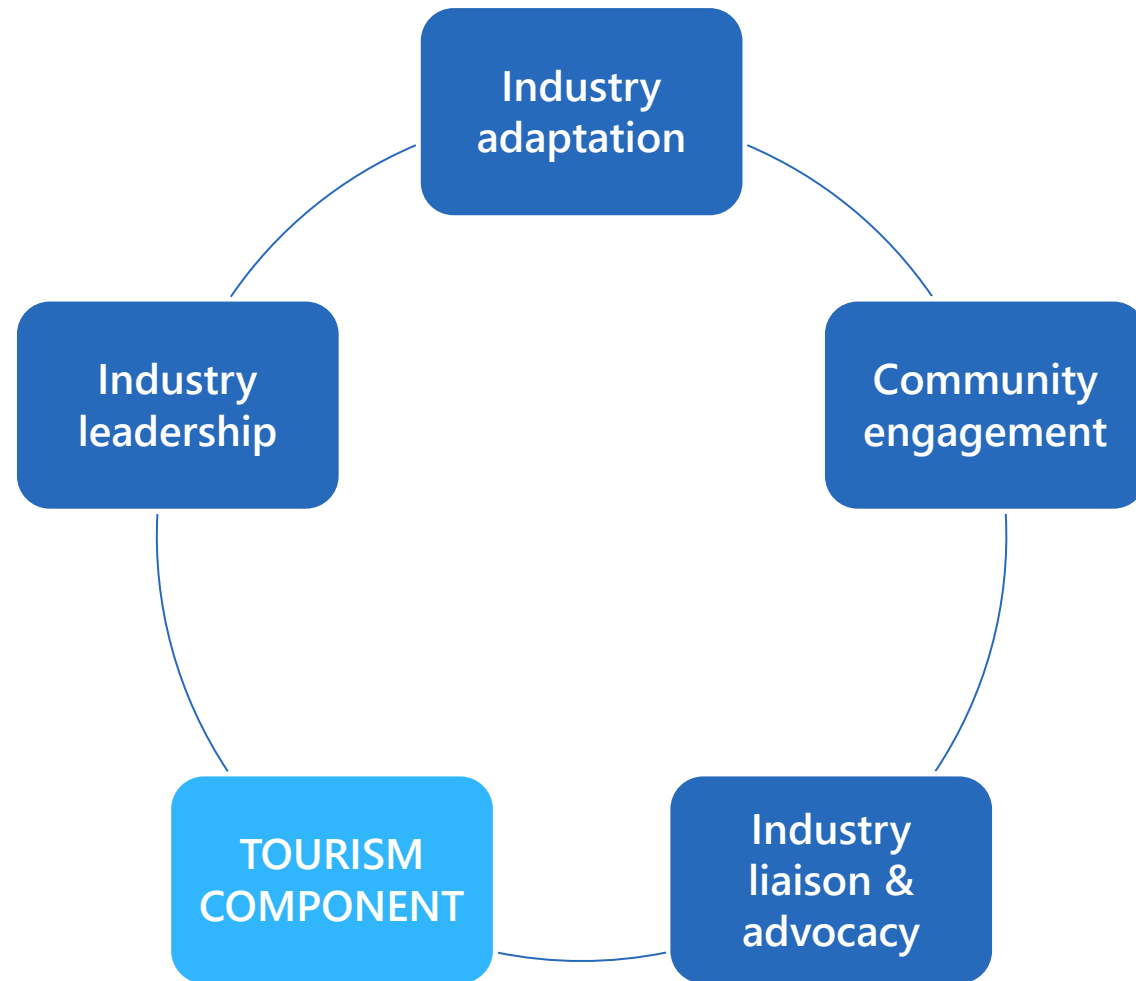
2020: Bushfire recovery



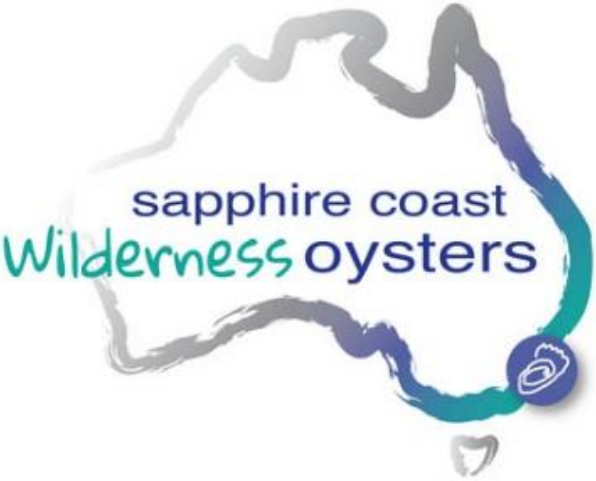
2021-2022: Flood recovery



The future for SCWO: 2022 and beyond



Does 'social licence' drive community expectations?



South Coast Mariculture



Operating as an ethical company is an underlying principle of South Coast Mariculture

South Coast Mariculture is fortunate for the opportunity to grow mussels, one of the worlds most sustainable foods, in Jervis Bay, one of the worlds most spectacular marine parks.

Operating as an ethical company is an underlying principle of South Coast Mariculture. We believe in operating a profitable business in balance with being a positive contributor to the broader community with whom we share the waters that we farm.

South Coast Mariculture is committed to working with full transparency in all our interactions with the marine environment. We look forward to collaborating with other stakeholders to preserve our natural heritage.

Recreational fishers and divers are welcome to fish and dive on our leases, please follow **tips** for tying up your boat out on the leases.

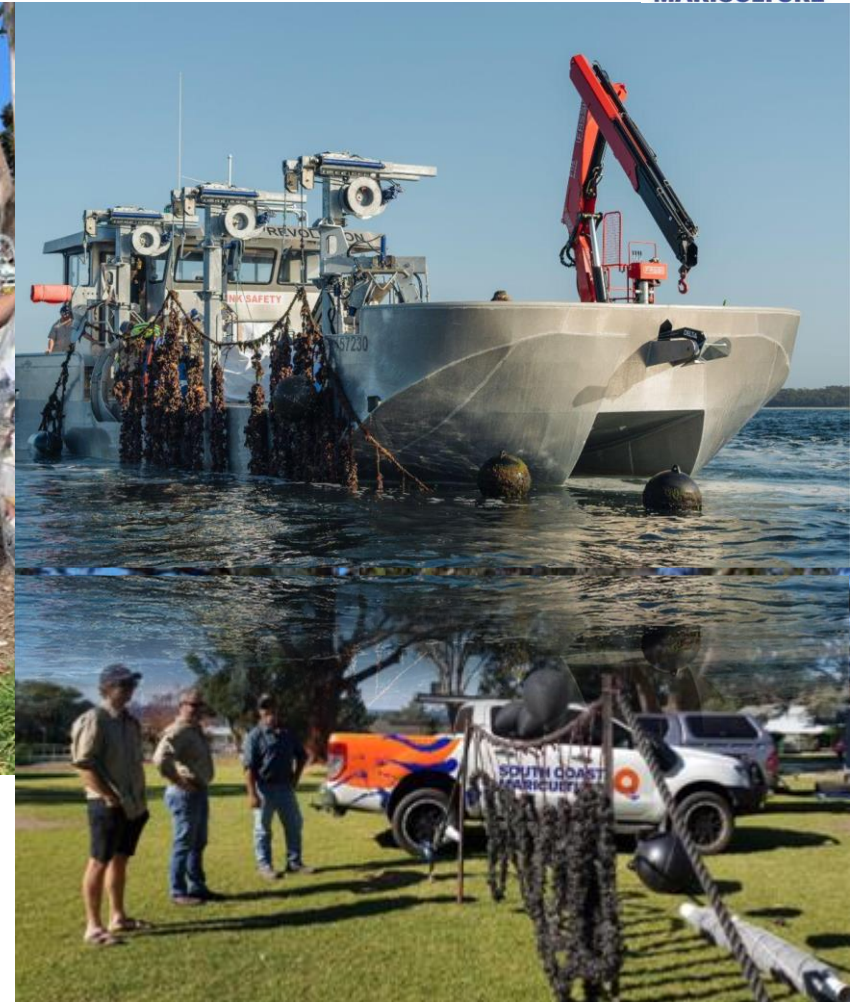
We look forward to enjoying our mussels with the local community where they will be readily available from early 2020.

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License to operate - don't take it for granted!



**SOUTH COAST
MARICULTURE**



Social license to operate and conscientiousness consumer purchasing becoming more important!



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The Rotting Underbelly of the
Tasmanian Salmon Industry

RICHARD FLANAGAN

Thank you



NOBODY LIKES A FLOATER – BE A GOOD BOATER



**Using
pump-outs**

**Clean
waterways**

**Healthy
oysters**

**Happy
oyster
farmers**

**Good
swimming**

Using local sewage pump-out facilities keeps you and your oysters clean, healthy and happy

