



## REPORT TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN HERITAGE RESOURCES AGENCY

Date: 2022-09-12

To: Briege Williams Heritage Officer: Maritime and Underwater  
Cultural Heritage Unit  
SAHRA

RE: Authorisation request for the partial demolition of the derelict Strand Jetty

Case ID: 12502

This report is to be read in conjunction with the attached **Closing report on the partial demolition of the derelict Strand Jetty** dated October 1<sup>st</sup> 2021.

To reiterate, the City of Cape Town and the SAHRA have agreed that the Strand Jetty will be:

- Left in place as part of our collective coastal heritage
- Allowed to slowly decay over time, unless sufficient funds are committed to restore it
- As the condition of the jetty deteriorates over time, weakened and damaged components of the structure will be removed and dismantled to prevent overt public safety risks – a SAHRA permit for these actions will be required
- Weakened and damaged components will be assessed at minimum annually, at the end of winter each year (October) or after any significant damage after coastal storm events

In fulfilling the City's responsibilities in this regard, the Coastal Management Branch hereby formally requests SAHRA to permit the City to remove additional damaged components which have been identified in the images below.



Figure 1:  
The Jetty after the shoreward section was removed, and the revetment constructed (2021).

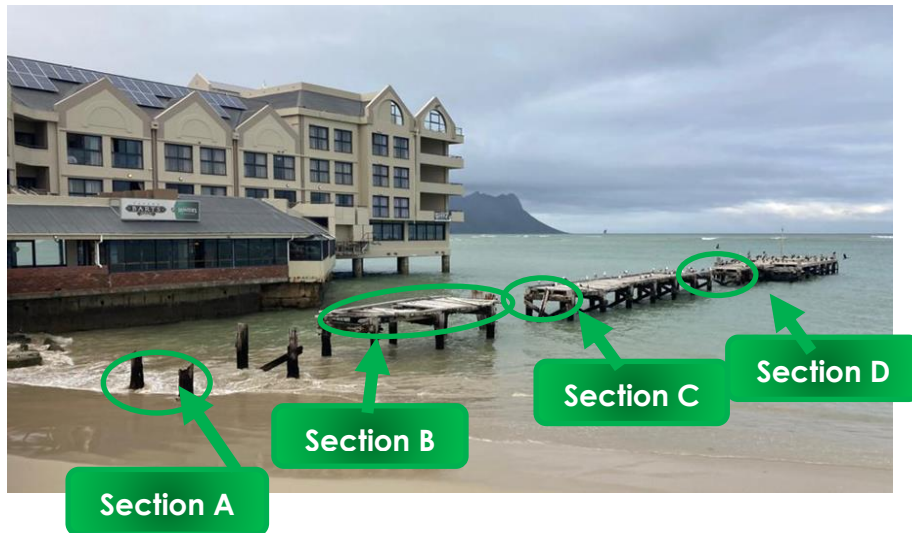


Figure 2:  
The Jetty after the shoreward section was removed (Section A), and the revetment constructed (2022) with additional damaged sections B, C & D identified for removal.

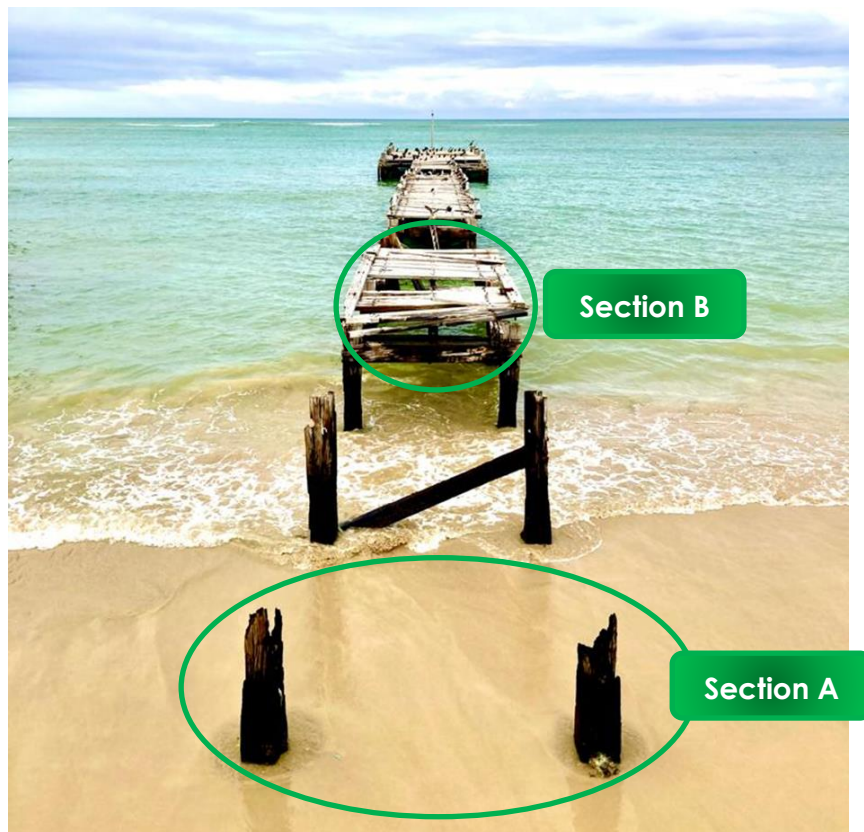


Figure 3:  
Dangerous sections of the Jetty that needs to be removed, "Section A & B" (2022). Olds footings are breaking up and at risk of becoming partly submerged and/or covered by sand posing a risk to people. All loose, rotten and partly detached boards and support beams must be removed. Wooden footings will be

left in place, but the severely rotten ones will be removed.

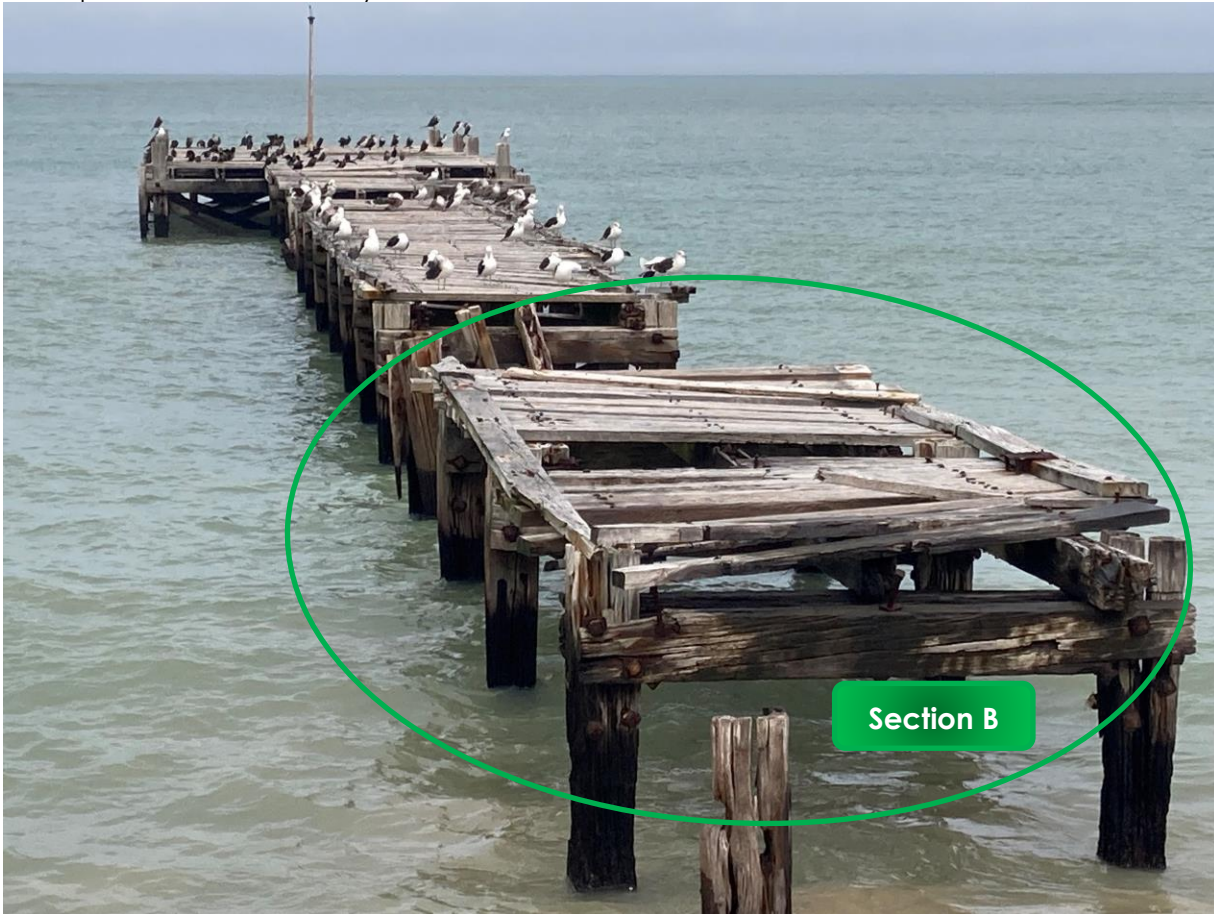


Figure 4: It is recommended that this entire section is dismantled and removed as its completely unstable (Section B)

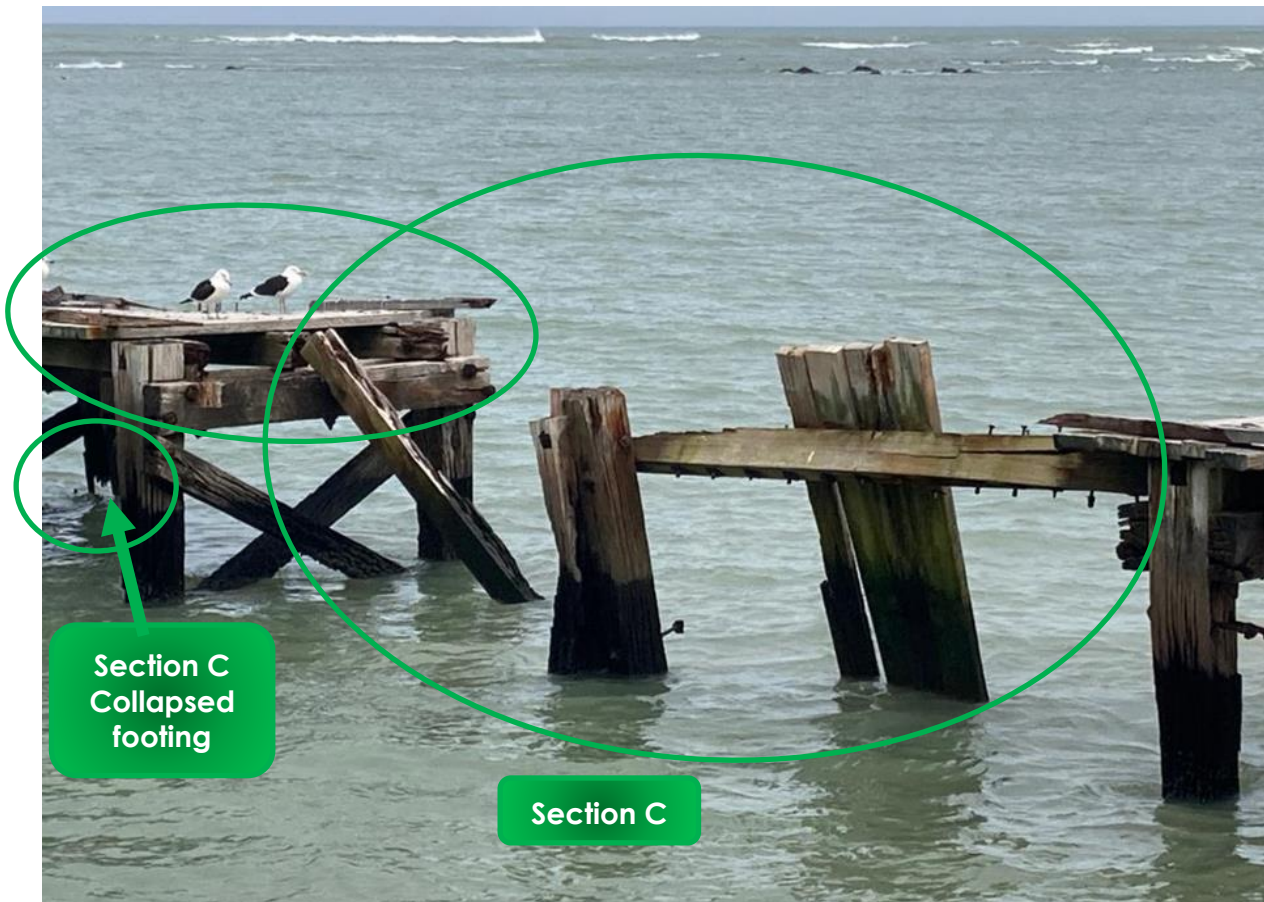


Figure 5: Dangerous sections of the Jetty that needs to be removed, "Section C" (2022). All loose, rotten and partly detached boards and support beams to be removed. Wooden footings will be left in place and only the severely rotten/collapsing ones will be removed. This will include the associated sections of walkway planks.



Figure 6: Loose and partly detached support beams to be removed (Section D). Remaining decking needs to be inspected up-close and any rotten/partly or fully detached planks to be removed.

Conclusion:

Sections of the jetty are deteriorating fast, especially with the collapse of the support beams and footings. The remaining footings are breaking down further and pose a safety risk to people who may "explore" the area. The signage warning people to keep away is in place, but it's very difficult to enforce this.

Yours sincerely,

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