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## Heritage washed away while Labor dithers

Pictures taken at the Leadlight located on the northern tip of Bribie Island clearly illustrate the need for quick action to protect Fort Bribie from the sea.

LNP spokesman for Climate Change and Sustainability Glen Elmes said the heritage listed fort was in danger of washing away before Premier Bligh and the Labor Government took action.

“This is another very important heritage icon that is just disappearing into the sea.

“I understand the Treasurer promised to reconsider measures to save the Fort during budget talks mid year, but with the current rate of erosion occurring on the island, by then it could be too late to save Bribie Fort.”

“Erosion on the northern tip of Bribie Island is already allowing the sea to wash through, exposing previously protected coastal areas in Pumicestone Passage and Golden Beach to tidal and storm surges.”

Mr Elmes said the Bligh Labor Government and the local Labor Member for Pumicestone had been missing in action on the matter.

“I have called on previous occasions for the Minister for Climate Change and Sustainability, Kate Jones, to take action to protect the northern tip of Bribie Island from being washed away.

“The Minister’s inaction now risks losing Bribie Fort and its history for future generations.

“It says a lot about the priorities of the Bligh Labor Government that millions of dollars can be found for party-political advertising campaigns, while heritage registered landmarks are allowed to wash away.”

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