



Blue BioTech Shoalhaven is an industry group that has been established to promote innovation and the capability of our member businesses in aquatic biotechnology - from growth through to processing. The Shoalhaven is where you can grow your business and love the lifestyle.



# Shoalhaven - our economy

Many Opportunities - One Destination

## ABOUT THE SHOALHAVEN

One of the closest strings of coastal villages to Sydney and containing the regional centres of Nowra and Ulladulla, the Shoalhaven has growing business opportunities.

With a population of over 100,000 it is one of the fastest growing areas in Australia. Only a few regional areas can boast this customer and business base.

The Shoalhaven contains a mix of businesses - from small start-ups through to multinational corporations. But the Shoalhaven retains a regional focus and has strong business networks and networking opportunities meaning that everything you need to grow your business is located here. The Shoalhaven is also supported by internationally respected universities and other research and development bodies ready to support your business.

Yet the Shoalhaven remains unspoilt; with pristine beaches, mountains, rivers, lakes and coastal plains. The Shoalhaven's reputation for spectacular scenery has made it New South Wales' premier regional tourist destination attracting over 1 million tourists each year.

The Shoalhaven's vision is to be a family orientated community committed to growing jobs and supporting our businesses.

## THE ALTERNATIVE VISION

- Nowra is an easy two hour drive from Sydney and a 2.5 hour drive from Canberra.
- The Shoalhaven has a temperate, coastal climate.
- Nowra will double in population by 2031.
- Keep your business costs low. Running your business in the Shoalhaven costs less than major Australian cities.
- The Shoalhaven has access to world class research facilities.
- The Shoalhaven has a secure water supply.

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## WHERE ARE WE

Our regional centre, Nowra, is an easy two hour drive from Sydney and 2.5 hours from Canberra. The Shoalhaven contains 49 towns and villages and has over 1000kms of coastline containing 109 beaches. The Shoalhaven's close proximity to Sydney, NSW and our nation's capital, Canberra, means that your business can access markets of 6 million people. Many of our businesses are international companies that trade all over the world.



## HOW WE MAKE IT EASIER

Shoalhaven City Council supports a specialist Economic Development Office. Our team will partner with you and your business to:

- Relocate or start your business in the Shoalhaven
- Expand your business once established in the Shoalhaven
- Invest in the Shoalhaven

## THE OPPORTUNITY - AVAILABLE INDUSTRIAL LAND

Shoalhaven City Council maintains a stock of industrial land. This land is available to businesses wishing to establish in our area. Land is not sold to speculators but only to those entities that will establish and contribute to our local economy. Shoalhaven City Council maintains industrial land in three main prime locations:

- The Albatross Aviation Technology Park - land has been set aside specifically for our local defence and aviation support businesses.
- Flinders Industrial Estate - located at South Nowra this estate for all kinds of general industry.
- Woollamia Industrial Estate - located near Huskisson and with water access to Jervis Bay, this industrial area has been set aside for our growing boat building and aquaculture industries.

No matter what type of business you have, Shoalhaven City Council has affordable industrial land suitable for all industries.

Shoalhaven City Council also has processes in place to help investors, builders and other applicants - with structured meetings, electronic Development Application process and guidance on what's required. You'll find the Shoalhaven is where you can grow your business and love the lifestyle.

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