

More marinas: jetty developer

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THE developer for the Port Rockingham jetty proposal in Wanliss Street, Rockingham says multiple marinas are needed in the region to meet increasing rates of boat ownership and demand for permanent moorings.

The Mangles Bay marina, a ramp at Port Kennedy and the Port Rockingham development are among the proposals already put forward and Rosewood Grove managing director Paul Ogilvie said there was room and need for them all.

“Rosewood Grove supports the development of multiple marinas, given the shortfall in marina facilities identified in the State Government’s own research,” Mr Ogilvie said.

“There is an enormous gap between the anticipated provisions and the facilities likely to be required along the metropolitan coast.

“Under existing policy, including the Mangles Bay proposal, we would still be 1000 pens short.”

Mr Ogilvie said the Port Rockingham concept was a boat mooring and retail development as opposed to the marina proposed by Rockingham City Council.

“The two projects are complementary rather than competing,” he said.

A scoping document for Port Rockingham has been lodged with the Environmental Protection Authority and public briefings are set to take place in mid to late January.