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Two marinas for Rockingham

ROCKINGHAM could host two new marinas after the environmental watchdog gave the go-ahead for a new 500-boat capacity project. The Environmental Protection Authority this week recommended a proposal by private outfit Rosewood Grove for the construction and operation of the marina project, located adjacent to the intersection of Wanliss Street and Rockingham Beach Road.

The proposal consists of up to 500 boating pens, 4,500 square metres of retail space, refuelling and sullage removal facilities, and the expansion of a nearby car park.

The EPA said the construction was likely to have little impact on the local environment, provided that recommended conditions were implemented.

"This proposal satisfies a long-standing need for additional boating requirements and, as it will be located in an area devoid of sea grass, it will not significantly impact upon any marine plants and animals," EPA chairman Paul Vogel said. The proposal is separate to the Cape Peron marina project in Rockingham, which was given the go ahead by the state government last week, subject to certain assessment and approvals.

The Cape Peron marina project includes cafes, restaurants, holiday accommodation and education opportunities. It is a part of the state government's 'Directions 2031' planning framework for the Perth and Peel regions.

LandCorp will manage the development and a private partner will be sought.