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McCrae landslide Inquiry to hold final public hearing

The Board of Inquiry into the McCrae landslide will hold its final public hearing at the Federal Court of Australia in Melbourne starting at 10 am on Monday 18 August 2025.

Two expert witnesses, Darren Paul and Dane Pope, will give evidence to the Inquiry on Monday 18 August regarding the measures required to prevent or mitigate the risk of further landslides occurring at the location of the earlier landslides.

This final hearing follows previous public hearings in May, June and August, where the Inquiry heard from McCrae residents, representatives from Mornington Peninsula Shire Council and South East Water, and expert witnesses.

Chair of the Inquiry, Ms Renée Enbom KC said "this final hearing brings two experts together to provide the Inquiry with important evidence to help determine appropriate recommendations, with a focus on helping to prevent any future landslides in McCrae".

The hearing will be open to the public and will be held in the Federal Court of Australia at 305 William Street, Melbourne. It will also be live streamed on the <u>Inquiry's website</u>. A transcript of the hearing will be available on the website as soon as practicable after the hearing.

The Inquiry is required to deliver its final report to the Governor by 10 September 2025.