Saildrone - Mission Brief

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Saildrones are wind powered Unmanned Surface Vehicles (USVs) being used by CSIRO to support ocean and marine research. The USV are controlled remotely, with missions preprogramed. The location of a USV can be altered via satellite communication.

This plan provides key information to the public on the purpose of the mission and the Saildrones location.

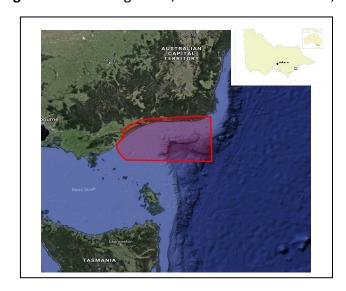
Gippsland Golden Beach (sd2019_v1)

Mission Purpose:

First trials of the *Saildrone* platform to assess different sailing survey patterns and testing of capability of high quality bio-acoustic and carbon dioxide (CO₂) systems to map and monitor background variability at the proposed CarbonNet Site (Gippsland, Victoria).

Mission Duration: 21 days

Departure Date & Target Location: August 14, 2019 ex Lakes Entrance, Gippsland, Victoria



Please <u>remain more than 500m away</u> from the Saildrone system. Saildrones should only be recovered by authorised personnel.

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