

Metadata for Tidal Data Exchange

Station Name

Cape Ferguson

Date of Supply

Tuesday, 12 August 2025

Identification		
Station Number	BoM=032182 ANTT=59260 ASDD=108	
Name	Cape Ferguson	
Latitude and Estimated Positional Uncertainty	-19.2774	+/- 3m
Longitude and Estimated Positional Uncertainty	147.0586	+/- 3m
Map Name	Bowling Green Bay	
Map Number	8359	
Map Grid Northing	N/A	
Map Grid Easting	N/A	
Type of Readings		
Heights	Observations	
Progress *	See comments section.	
Update Frequency *	Real Time	
Available Format Type *	DIGITAL, text	
Measurement Units		
Tidal Heights	metres	
Reference Frame		
Time Zone	UTC	
Vertical Reference Frame	Tide Gauge Zero (m)	
TGBM Name/Number	Ettrick 112150 (Coastal array Primary BM)	
TGBM Elevation relative to the vertical reference	5.5003 m AHD or 7.0903 m TGZ (2000)	
Estimated Positional Uncertainty	+/- 2mm	
Horizontal Reference Frame Direction of Stream Readings Depth of Stream Readings (relative to Vertical Reference Frame) Estimated Positional Uncertainty	Geodetic Datum of Aust (GDA94)	
Search Words *	Marine, Oceanography, Water, Cape Ferguson	
Data Owner Details		
Name	Bureau of Meteorology	
Postal Address	GPO Box 1289, Melbourne VIC 3001	
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Facsimile		
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Details of the Readings Provided Herewith	
Date of readings supplied	
From	9/12/1991
To	Current
The time interval between readings (If the readings are for high & low water then enter "Zero")	1-minute (average of 60, 1-second samples) 6-minutes (weighted average of 4, 1-minute readings) Hourly (filtered with a cut-off of 2 hours)
Are the readings averaged or filtered	See above. 1-minute samples are logged at the end of each minute, 6-minute centred on 0.1-hour increments
Are there any access constraints (such as commercial-in-confidence or constraint on the use or distribution to third parties).	No
Objective Quality Assessment of Tidal Observations (Height or Stream)	
Instrument	
Type Model	Digital data logger Sutron 9000 (1991-2009)/Telmet 320 RTU (2009-current)
Sensor	
Type Model	Acoustic-in-air sensor Aquatrak® Transducer
Frequency of System Calibrations	
Field calibration and Laboratory calibration	every 1-2 years every 1-2 years
Frequency of Water Level Checks	
Daily	
Estimate of the Precision of the Water Level Checks	
Time (Std Dev in Minutes) Height (Std Dev in metres)	GPS Satellite Clock 1mm +/-
System Resolution	
1mm +/-	
Estimated Local Uncertainty	
Status of the Readings	
Statistical analysis	
Description of the validation process including a statement detailing how:	
1. The instrumental biases were treated 2. Outliers were selected and dealt with 3. Breaks in the record were dealt with	Standard deviations Reported Recovered where possible
Date of Validation	
Checked each month, for previous month	
Name of Person certifying the validation	
Tidal Services	
Details required with the supply of tidal constituent constants	
All of the details required above	
The name and version of the software used to calculate the constants	Tans

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The tidal constituent model used (particularly noting the treatment of the constituents Sa and Ssa) and specifying any related (inferred) constituent constants	Doodson's method
The date span used to prepare the constituent constants	1991-2023 (for 2026)
The reference time zone for the constituents	AEST (-1000)
The vertical datum to which the constituents apply	LAT, which is 0.103m below TGZ and 1.590m below AHD
A precision estimate of predictions based on the constituent constants (for example, standard deviation of the analysis residuals)	Standard Deviation is 0.1090
Additional details required with the supply of tidal predictions	
All of the details required above	
A statement describing the tidal prediction process used	Doodson's method
The name and version of the software used to calculate the predictions	Tipp5
A list of the constituent constants used or if the list is not provided, the donor agency's identifier of the list	Standard 112 Constituent list

Comments on data by Port Authority

- Australian Baseline Sea Level Monitoring Array (ABSLMA)
- Before 11-Aug-2009, Sutron Logger used. 6-minute samples average of 181, 1-second samples
- Earlier data read from analog tide gauge traces on the hour
- Prediction datum (LAT) is 0.103 m below TGZ from 2021 predictions onwards. It corresponded to TGZ before 2021.