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## *Media Statement*

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### **Como beach palm trees removed for public safety**

Four palm trees are to be removed from the Como beach Swan River foreshore as they have become a public safety hazard.

Swan River Trust Riverpark manager, Chris Mather said the trees have become unstable since the recent storms.

“Extensive soil erosion around the trees’ root system - caused by the recent storm front - has made these trees a public risk and they could fall over at any time,” Mr Mather said.

“Due to their close proximity to the freeway they may fall across the bike path and freeway and need to be removed as soon as possible.”

“Once the trees have been removed restoration of the foreshore will be undertaken by the Swan River Trust and City of South Perth.”

“We are working on developing a long-term solution to the continuing erosion problems in the area,” he said.

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