

Subject: FYI- Tern impacts from Wx event

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I just received this from David via Pete on Tern. Impacts to Tern from the wx event in the region:

They had a nasty storm last night. There were a few small things that were damaged, but the main damage was the partial washover caused lots of albatross eggs to be washed away. The seawall rocks were thrown inland and several bushes were uprooted. East beach which was about 75 yards long by 10 yards wide and 6 ft above the water has mostly disappeared. This level of water makes me think that Trig island probably had a complete washover and East Island along with the Gins maybe a partial washover. It will take time to evaluate the extent of this event and the loss of nests. I would put the first estimate at maybe 400 albatross nests. I am sure Pete will be able to provide an update during the staff meeting next week.

Susan White, Superintendent

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"We must all hang together or, most assuredly, we shall all hang separately." - Ben Franklin

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Hi,

East Beach got washed away last night. Here are a couple of before and after pictures.

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