Work has begun to repair and strengthen part of the Darwin foreshore which has suffered severe erosion from tides and tropical storms.

Darwin Waterfront Corporation is spending $1.4m on remediation work along 300m of the Jervois Park and Kitchener Road foreshore.

Treasurer David Tollner said the work was essential to ensure the increasingly well-used stretch of coastline can withstand the Territory’s sometimes harsh environment.

“Not only will this work strengthen the foreshore, it will also cover the unsightly rubble that was used in previous coastal protection projects,” Mr Tollner.

“The end result will be a safer and more attractive foreshore for visitors to the Deckchair Cinema and Darwin Waterfront.”

Local company CBS Civil Contracting began work last week and will have five employees on site for the next three months.

As well as repairing damaged sections, the workforce will also be emplacing ‘armour rock’ to prevent further erosion.

The coastal protection project is just the latest investment by the Territory Government in the popular Darwin Waterfront.

This year’s Budget detailed an $8m package for the precinct, which included: $1.2m for a new seawall shade covering for cruise ship passengers; $2m for additional berths for harbour cruise and fishing charter operators; and $3.4m to support the next residential and commercial stages of the Darwin Waterfront development.