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Death of windsurfer possibly caused by strong tide

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A MAN who drowned at Bulcock Beach on Boxing Day was visiting the Sunshine Coast from Cairns.

The 43-year-old man, initially thought to be a kite surfer, was windsurfing at the Caloundra bar, just north of Bribie Island, about 3.10pm on Wednesday when he got into trouble in rough conditions.

Police said a person staying at a nearby high-rise unit noticed the man experiencing difficulties in heavy surf and rang triple-0.

Water police and local surf lifesavers found the man face down in the water, unconscious and not breathing.

He died in hospital a short time later.

Initial police investigations indicated there were no suspicious circumstances surrounding the man's death.

A strong outgoing tide was creating heavy surf conditions in the area at the time and was believed to be the main contributing factor.

Investigating officers will prepare a report for the coroner.