JOHN WILLIAMS, MP
MEMBER FOR MURRAY-DARLING

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WORK CONTINUES ON BARHAM BRIDGE

John Williams The Nationals Member for Murray-Darling today announced work to upgrade Barham Bridge over the Murray River at Barham would continue later this month, weather permitting.

“The bridge which is one of the oldest liftspan structures on the Murray River is being restored by Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) to ensure it continues to service the local and travelling community well into the future,” Mr Williams said.

"Work to restore the bridge liftspan will be carried out on Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28 June.

“The bridge will close to all traffic between 9.30am and 11.30am and from 12.30pm to 2.30pm.

“On Sunday 1 July, the bridge is scheduled to close from 8am to 6pm.

“On Tuesday 3, Wednesday 4 and Thursday 5 July the bridge will close between 10pm and 7am.

“A test lift has been scheduled for Sunday 8 July and the bridge will be closed from 8am to 6pm.

“Further closures may be necessary if the test lift is unsuccessful.

“Part of the river will be closed to boats during the restoration work. Boat owners should follow channel markers and pass under the next span.

“No pedestrian access will be available during the work however access for emergency vehicle will be maintained.

“RMS has not scheduled any work during the Barham Jazz Festival from 21 to 24 June however, some closures have been scheduled for the NSW and Victorian school holidays between 30 June and 15 July,” Mr Williams said.

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