

JANUARY 2015

Balmain East Wharf Upgrade

Temporary wharf closure from Wednesday 14 January and some early morning and night work between 14 January and 20 March 2015.

As notified in the recent Community Update, as part of the NSW Government's Transport Access Program, work to upgrade Balmain East Wharf will start on **Wednesday 14 January 2015**.

The wharf will be closed for about five months, weather and maritime conditions permitting. All efforts will be made by the project team to reopen the wharf as soon as possible.

Work to demolish the existing wharf and install piles for the new wharf will be carried out soon after the closure of the wharf. This will require some early morning and night work over a number of days **between Wednesday 14 January and Friday 20 March 2015** as this work requires calm water conditions.

- Demolition work will be carried out **between 14 January and 6 February** and some early morning and night work may be required
- **Piling work**, including drilling and hammering piles into rock, will be carried out **between 23 January and 20 March** and some early morning and night work will be required. This work will be noisy. The hammering will be carried out intermittently, with multiple one minute periods of hammering.

Early morning and night work can be carried out **between 11pm and 7am seven days a week**. Hammering of piles is restricted between 5am and 7am.

For **alternative transport arrangements** during the temporary closure of the wharf please see over.

We thank you for your patience during this work and apologise for any inconvenience.

Please do not hesitate to contact the wharf upgrade project team by calling 1800 770 973 or email WharfUpgradeProgram@rms.nsw.gov.au if you have any further queries.

Yours faithfully

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Alternative transport during construction

Bus services

Customers can catch a **442** bus service from Balmain East Wharf to the Queen Victoria Building where they can connect with services to Circular Quay and other destinations. Customers can also connect to train services from Town Hall Station near the Queen Victoria Building.

Customers can also catch a **444/445** or **442** bus service from Balmain East Wharf to Victoria Road to connect with a 501 bus service to Pyrmont or continue on the 442 bus service to Sussex Street and walk across Pyrmont Bridge.

During peak periods additional **442** services will operate between Balmain East Wharf and the Queen Victoria Building to meet increased demand during the wharf upgrade.

Ferry Services

The **F4 Darling Harbour Ferry Service** will continue to operate to the existing timetable at all remaining wharves on the service.

During construction the **F4 Darling Harbour Ferry Service** will make an additional stop at Balmain (Thames Street) Wharf between 7.30pm and midnight to provide connections for customers normally transferring between F4 Darling Harbour services and F3 Parramatta River services at Balmain East Wharf.

We encourage customers to plan their trip by visiting **transportnsw.info** or calling **131 500** for details of the additional services and changes to existing services before starting their journey.

For more information about the upgrade you can:

Phone: **1800 770 973**

Email: **WharfUpgradeProgram@rms.nsw.gov.au**

Visit Roads and Maritime Services website: **rms.nsw.gov.au/wharfupgrades**

