



The existing lift span bridge causes significant traffic delays

# Preferred option for the Batemans Bay Bridge replacement

Roads and Maritime Services is planning to replace Batemans Bay Bridge.

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The NSW Government have announced \$300 million towards improving Clyde River crossings on the Princes Highway at Batemans Bay and on the Kings Highway at Nelligen.

Replacing the bridge over Clyde River would improve access to Batemans Bay and surrounding areas, allow access for larger trucks, reduce traffic delays and improve the Kings and Princes Highway intersection.

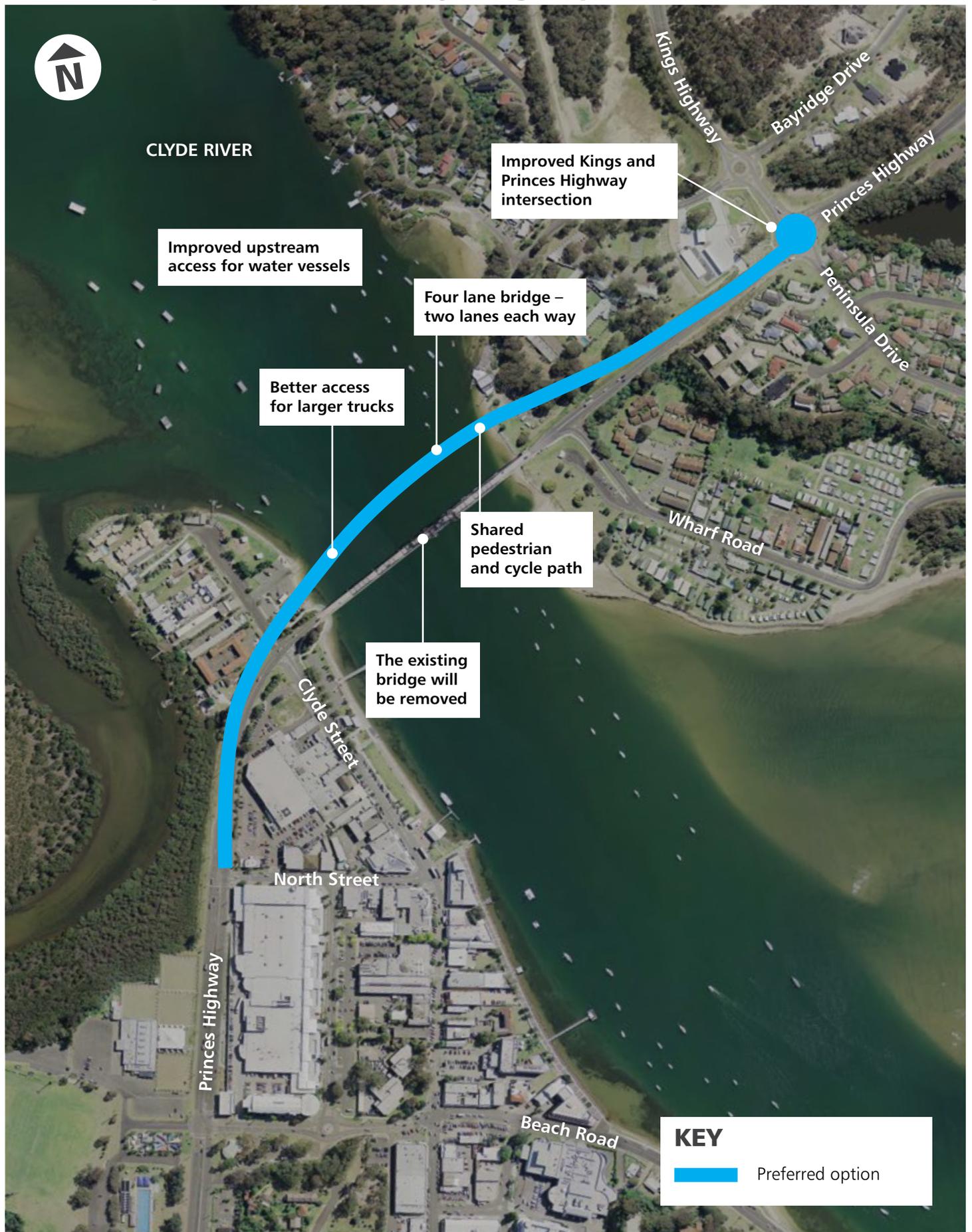
We have identified a preferred option for a replacement bridge and are seeking community feedback until **Friday 1 September 2017**.

## Project benefits

The new Batemans Bay Bridge would:

- improve freight access by allowing larger trucks and B-double vehicles up to 26 metres in length across the Clyde River
- replace the existing bridge that requires ongoing maintenance
- reduce traffic delays at the Kings and Princes Highway intersection in peak periods.
- reduce economic and social impacts by removing the current lift span issues and load limit on the existing bridge.

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## Preferred option

### Replacing the existing bridge

The existing bridge will be demolished and removed to allow taller boats improved access to the Clyde River.

Issues with the existing bridge include an annual maintenance cost of up to \$1 million, no access for larger trucks, lack of reliable access across the Clyde River due to the lift span and restricted access to the Clyde River for water vessels due to the bridge's height.

Benefits of removing the bridge include permanent access to Clyde River by boats of an increased height and increased public access to the river foreshore.

### Identifying the preferred option

A Preferred Option Report explains the options that were considered.

Following a workshop with key stakeholders and community members and the review of a range of technical studies, a preferred option was identified.

The preferred option is a new bridge to the west of the existing bridge that reconnects with the Princes Highway at an improved Kings Highway intersection. Access to Wharf Road would then be via Peninsula Drive. A proposed underpass will provide access to Clyde Street, north of the Princes Highway. Access to Clyde Street would be via North Street.

The Preferred Option Report can be viewed at [rms.nsw.gov.au/batemansbaybridge](http://rms.nsw.gov.au/batemansbaybridge).

### What will the bridge look like?

The Bridge will have four traffic lanes, a shared path for pedestrians and cyclists and have a greater clearance height for river users.

Roads and Maritime are currently working on the draft design for a new Batemans Bay Bridge and this will be displayed to the community later in 2017.

### How will the local environment be managed?

Roads and Maritime is carrying out a full environmental assessment that will outline environmental impacts and how they will be addressed. The environmental assessment will be on display for community comment later in 2017.

### Key features

The new bridge will:

- have four lanes, two lanes each way, to reduce traffic delays crossing the bridge
- improve traffic flow at the Kings and Princes Highway intersection
- have greater access to, and improved use of the Clyde River for taller boats with no impact to motorists
- improve safety with a shared pedestrian and cycle path
- improve access for freight vehicles up to 26 metres in length and no height restrictions.



The existing Batemans Bay Bridge requires ongoing and costly maintenance

## Have your say

We are carrying out a survey on the proposed new bridge. You can give your feedback via the Preferred Option Survey. This can be accessed at [rms.nsw.gov.au/batemansbaybridge](http://rms.nsw.gov.au/batemansbaybridge).

## Meet the project team

We invite you to meet the project team and understand more about the preferred option. The project team will be at the following locations. A formal presentation will not be given, so please drop in at any time.

### Batemans Bay Community Centre

Thursday 10 August, 4pm to 7pm  
Saturday 19 August, 10am to 1pm  
2 Museum Place  
Batemans Bay

### Village Centre

Thursday 17 August, 3pm to 6pm  
1 Perry Street  
Batemans Bay

## Display locations

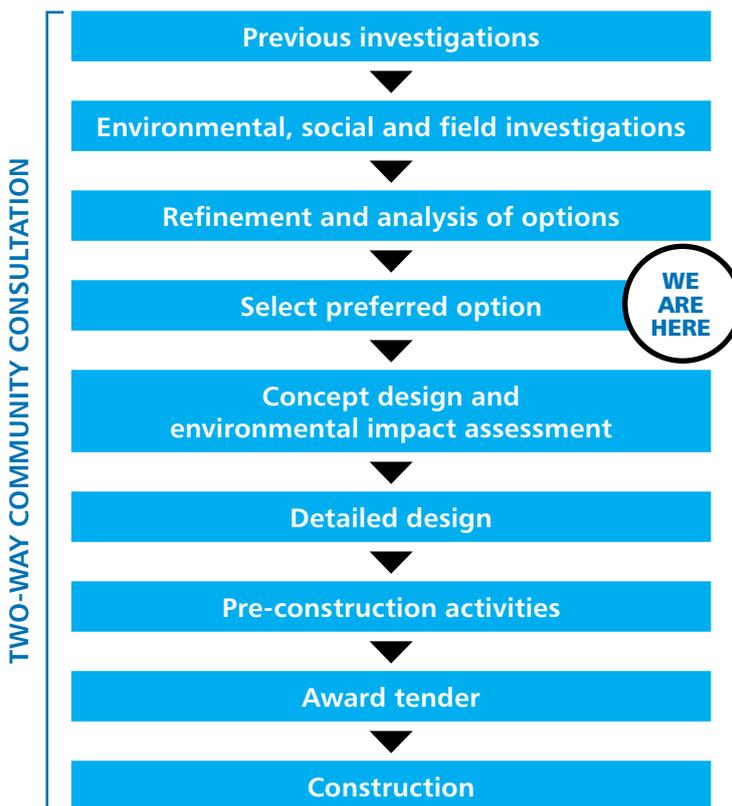
More information on the preferred option will be available at unstaffed display locations between **Friday 4 August** and **Friday 1 September 2017** at the following locations:

- Batemans Bay Library, Batemans Bay
- Eurobodalla Council Building, Moruya
- Service NSW, Batemans Bay
- Moruya Library, Moruya.

## Next steps

Using community feedback, we will further refine the design and prepare an environmental assessment that will explain the impacts of the project.

The environmental assessment for the Batemans Bay Bridge project will be on display for community comment later in 2017. We will continue to keep the community updated as the project progresses.



## For more information

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