The delivery of the first concrete bridge segment into Batemans Bay went smoothly in late February. The heavy vehicles used for transport and delivery included a trailer with a total of 76 wheels to support the larger segments transported from the project pre-cast facility south of Mogo.

Work on the Batemans Bay Bridge replacement continues with the superstructure taking shape and the start of the new Wharf Road and Clyde Street realignments.

Completion of both roundabout upgrades on the Kings Highway will deliver improved highway intersections.

The new bridge will provide safer and more reliable journeys and improve connections in and around Batemans Bay.

We thank the community for its patience during peak construction.

Following the devastating bushfires in December and January, our crews provided plant and equipment to help re-open the bushfire affected Princes and Kings Highways to restore vital connections for impacted communities.

We acknowledge the ongoing effects of the bushfire season and the rebuilding still to come. As neighbours within the Batemans Bay community, the project team would like to thank the locals and all the volunteers, council, local businesses and emergency services for all their work and support throughout the recent bushfire emergency and recovery operations.

What work is coming up?

Major work planned between 1 April and 30 June 2020 will include:

- continuing bridge segment delivery and erection
- completing marine pier construction
- continuing southern and northern approach retaining walls and embankments
- opening the Kings Highway and Princes Highway roundabouts with some continuing finishing work
- starting early work for the new floating pontoon
- closure of Wharf Road and Princes Highway intersection and commencing realignment earthworks
- starting earthworks for Clyde Street realignment.

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Project Update
The project’s Kings Highway laydown and stockpile site stores construction material.

The first stage of the Kings Highway and Princes Highway intersection upgrades will soon open with some finishing work to be completed.

Old Punt Road widening work will continue.

The Princes Highway and Wharf Road realignment Old Punt Road pedestrian detour

From late April The Princes Highway and Wharf Road intersection will temporarily close to enable earthworks for the road realignment and construction of a new roundabout. Residents and businesses will be kept informed of these changes and contacted directly.

Old Punt Road pedestrian detour
To minimise community impacts during the busy Easter long weekend Old Punt Road pedestrian access will be reopened from Thursday 9 April to Tuesday 14 April.

For the safety of cyclists, pedestrians and workers the detour will then be reinstated to allow for safe progress of earthworks, bridge segment deliveries and erection, loading of materials onto barges, and general construction activity.

Detour maps have been installed for the convenience of pedestrians and cyclists.

Changed pedestrian conditions will be in place until August 2020.

Wharf Road realignment
Northern Foreshore
**Clyde Street realignment**
To enable the realignment of Clyde Street and allow for the installation of end bridge segments, a short sidetrack will be established to the north of Clyde Street west near the intersection of the Princes Highway. Traffic changes will include no direct vehicle movements across the highway from Clyde Street west to Clyde Street east in both directions. Motorists can make left turns only into and out of Clyde Street west when the sidetrack is open.

**Work on the new floating pontoon**
Will start following completion of geotechnical investigations.

**Southern abutment retaining walls and embankment earthworks**
Will soon be completed.

**Love the Bay**
A community partnership between the Batemans Bay Business and Tourism Chamber and Project contractor John Holland.
It is a local community pride campaign focusing on positivity, connectivity, and growth.
Launched in early December when the disastrous bushfire season began, the campaign has been embraced by the community and expanded to encourage locals and visitors alike to shop local, and to engage in positive conversations about the Batemans Bay area.
The campaign uses social and other media to showcase local businesses and emphasise the importance of ‘positive people power’ making a difference in the community.
You can follow Love the Bay on
www.facebook.com/LoveTheBayBB
www.instagram.com/lovethebaybb
Wharf Road and Clyde Street realignment work

Wharf Road – From late April, weather permitting, Wharf Road access to the Princes Highway southbound to Batemans Bay will be permanently closed and the southbound access to Wharf Road from the highway will temporarily close. These traffic changes are required to allow for realignment earthworks and construction of a new roundabout.

From the Princes Highway, motorists will be able to access Wharf Road via Peninsula Drive. Pedestrian, beach and private property access will be maintained at all times and a temporary bus turnaround area will be established near Korners Park.

Signs will provide pedestrian detour information including directions to an alternative disabled toilet facility on Clyde Street east when the Korners Park toilet facility is closed.

Residents and businesses will be contacted directly with more detail and kept informed regarding this work.

Clyde Street west – From late June, weather permitting, a short sidetrack will be established to the north of Clyde Street west near the intersection of the Princes Highway to allow for the realignment of Clyde Street.

Motorist access across the Princes Highway in both directions between Clyde Street west and east will not be permitted when the sidetrack is opened. Left turns only will be permitted into and out of Clyde Street west.

Construction of the sidetrack will start in May 2020. The community will be kept informed as this work is scheduled.

Out of hours work

Standard construction work hours are Monday to Friday from 7am to 6pm and Saturdays from 8am to 1pm.

We are required to work outside of standard hours to allow for a number of construction activities to minimise disruptions during peak periods. To ensure the quality and strength of the concrete in the foundation of the new bridge, early morning concrete pours are required and these will be completed by August 2020, weather permitting.

To complete segment production quicker and minimise community impact the bridge segment pre-cast facility will operate longer hours on Saturdays between 5am and 10pm and on Sundays between 8am and 3pm.

Bridge segment deliveries to the Batemans Bay northern and southern foreshores will take place between Monday and Saturday from sunrise to sunset outside of peak traffic periods until the end of 2020, weather permitting. Deliveries will not take place on Sundays or public holidays.

We will inform the community before any out of hours works is required.

Traffic changes and your journey

For the safety of workers and motorists, temporary lane closures and short-term traffic stoppages will be in place at times on the Princes and Kings Highways which may affect travel times.

Please keep to the speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs. For the latest traffic updates,

- call 132 701
- visit livetraffic.com
- download the Live Traffic NSW App.

COVID-19 response

Transport for NSW has been working closely with NSW Health to address the challenge of coronavirus (COVID 19) and support the containment efforts.

In response to emerging public health advice we have closed the Community Display Centre at the project’s main site compound in Batemans Bay until further notice. We will keep the community informed of any changes as we continue to monitor the situation and manage future arrangements in accordance with public health advice.

For more information or if you have any questions or complaints, please contact our project team

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