Batemans Bay Bridge replacement project

Project Update

The final concrete pour for the substructure of the new Batemans Bay bridge took place recently. The focus is now on segment erection of the superstructure.

People on the project

The Infrastructure Skills Legacy Program is a NSW Government initiative to provide employment opportunities within the construction industry. On the Batemans Bay Bridge project, the program provides:

- support for local jobs in the region
- support for under-represented groups to work in the construction sector
- identify gaps in workforce skills hosting a variety of training programs to build the future skill base of the South Coast and NSW construction workforce.

The Batemans Bay Bridge replacement project currently exceeds both NSW state and project targets with the following workforce figures:

- 48% of the workforce is local
- 10% Aboriginal participation
- 7.3% Female participation in non-traditional roles
- 6.8% Employment of long-term unemployed
- 13.8% Youth (under-25) employment.

The Batemans Bay Bridge replacement project will deliver safer and more reliable journeys, improve highway intersections and connections in and around Batemans Bay. We thank the community for its patience while major work for the project is underway.

What work is coming up?

Major work planned between 1 July and 30 September 2020 will include:

- continuing segment production at the pre-cast facility south of Mogo
- continuing bridge segment delivery and erection
- completing a side track to allow for the realignment of Clyde Street west
- completing southern and northern approach retaining walls and embankments
- continuing preparation work for floating pontoon
- starting earthworks for a new roundabout and continuing realignment of Wharf Road.
Reinstatement of Old Punt Road boat ramp in September 2020, weather permitting.

Construction of the new Wharf Road roundabout.

Access to Wharf Road for motorists remains closed. Pedestrian access at Wharf Road will be maintained at all times.

Northern approach and Old Punt Road
Segment installation is being completed and bridge finishing work have started. Pavement activities for the northern approach to the bridge will soon be completed.

Barge 1803 will be demobilised from the project and located upstream.

Concrete pours completed
All concrete pouring activities to construct the piers and two abutments have been completed. The project continues with the installation of the concrete segments.

Toilet facilities Korners Park
The permanent disabled toilet facilities in Korners Park will remain closed until 2021. Temporary disabled toilet facilities are located by the footpath near the holiday park.

Northern Foreshore
Southern Foreshore

Preparations floating pontoon
Early preparations have begun to establish a new floating pontoon on the southern foreshore.

In July and August 2020 the Clyde Street west boat ramp will be closed for up to 90 minutes on 12 occasions. Read more about these closures on the next page.

The project’s main site compound stores construction materials and equipment and includes the Community Display Centre and the Infrastructure Skills Legacy Program Training Hub.

Segment installation
The project will continue to install concrete segments. A significant number will be erected over the next three months.

A sidetrack will be established at Clyde Street west. A temporary pedestrian detour is in place for the safety of cyclists, pedestrians and workers.

Southern approach retaining walls and embankment near southern abutment.

Clyde Street east laydown site.
A total of 166 concrete bridge segments are being produced at the pre-cast facility south of Mogo and transported into Batemans Bay. Deliveries occur between Monday and Saturday, outside of peak traffic times.

**Boat ramp access**

To safely build the new bridge, we require use of both the northern and southern foreshore areas during construction. To minimise impacts to our community and river users, access to the Clyde River will alternate between the Clyde Street boat ramp and Old Punt Road boat ramp. When open, both ramps provide up to eight boat trailer parking spaces. The community will continue to be informed separately about ongoing boat ramp access.

To enable the safe delivery and unloading of concrete segments for bridge construction, some short closures of the Clyde Street west boat ramp will take place near the intersection of the Princes Highway. Alternatively, river users may use Hanging Rock and Nelligen boat ramps to launch their boats.

Between July and August 2020, weather permitting, the boat ramp will be closed for up to 90 minutes on 12 occasions. Please call 1800 879 119 or email BatemansBayBridge@jhg.com.au to receive mobile phone text messages with the dates and times of these temporary closures.

**Out of hours work**

We are required to work outside of standard hours to allow for a number of construction activities to minimise disruptions during peak periods.

- Standard construction work hours have been extended to Mondays to Sundays (including public holidays) from 7am to 6pm to support the industry during the COVID-19 pandemic
- To ensure the quality and strength of the concrete in the deck of the new bridge we will continue to carry out early morning and late night concrete pours and finishing works
- To take advantage of favourable and safer river conditions we will continue to erect bridge segments between 5am and 10pm Monday to Friday and between 6am and 6pm on Saturdays
- Bushfire impacts on the pre-cast facility site earlier this year together with the implementation of social distancing rules and other safety measures during the COVID 19 pandemic, have slowed segment production progress. To complete segment production sooner and minimise community impact, the pre-cast facility south of Mogo will operate 24 hours per day from Mondays to Saturdays and 7am to 6pm Sundays until late 2020.

**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.

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