

Double Bay Wharf Upgrade

Have your say

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The NSW Government is planning to improve Double Bay Wharf as part of the Transport Access Program.



An artist's impression of the proposed Double Bay Wharf improvements.

Transport for NSW is improving Sydney's ferry services for customers. New and upgraded wharves are being delivered as part of the NSW Government's Transport Access Program. This program has most recently delivered upgraded wharves at Parramatta, Kissing Point, Woolwich, Rydalmere, Cabarita and Abbotsford.

The Double Bay Wharf

Customers with mobility needs are currently unable to access Bay Street from Double Bay Wharf unassisted.

The existing wharf at Double Bay includes a set of tidal steps for ferries to berth and an access ladder for recreational boat users. A long jetty connects the wharf to land.

The proposal at Double Bay Wharf would improve accessibility for our customers. A concept design has been developed and we are inviting the community and customers to have their say on the suggested changes.

Accessible Public Transport

The Transport Access Program is an initiative to provide a better experience for public transport customers by delivering accessible, modern, secure and comfortable transport that connects with other transport infrastructure. It is a legal requirement that all public transport infrastructure, including wharves, have fully compliant disability access by December 2022, excluding exemptions under special circumstances.

Proposed concept design

The proposed wharf design includes a new dual-sided floating pontoon. This would improve the efficiency and safety for ferries to pick-up and drop-off passengers. It would also provide an area for recreational boats to berth.

The pontoon would have a waiting area with a curved roof, seating and glass weather protection panels to provide passengers with a comfortable place to wait for their ferry. The pontoon would be connected to land by an uncovered gangway.

The new wharf would provide Double Bay with facilities that all members of the community can access.

Wharf design

The Wharf Upgrade Program has been designed to create a distinctive theme for Sydney Harbour. The design aims to unify and identify the harbour wharves and the ferry commuter transport system.

For more information and images of the proposed wharf design visit our website nswroads.work/doublebaywharf

Improvements

The proposal would improve:

- access for customers with assisted and unassisted mobility needs
- access for customers with prams
- protection from the weather
- seating and waiting areas
- safety for customers and staff
- efficiency of ferry pick-up and drop-off
- pedestrian access around the wharf
- access for recreational berthing.

Existing wharf structure

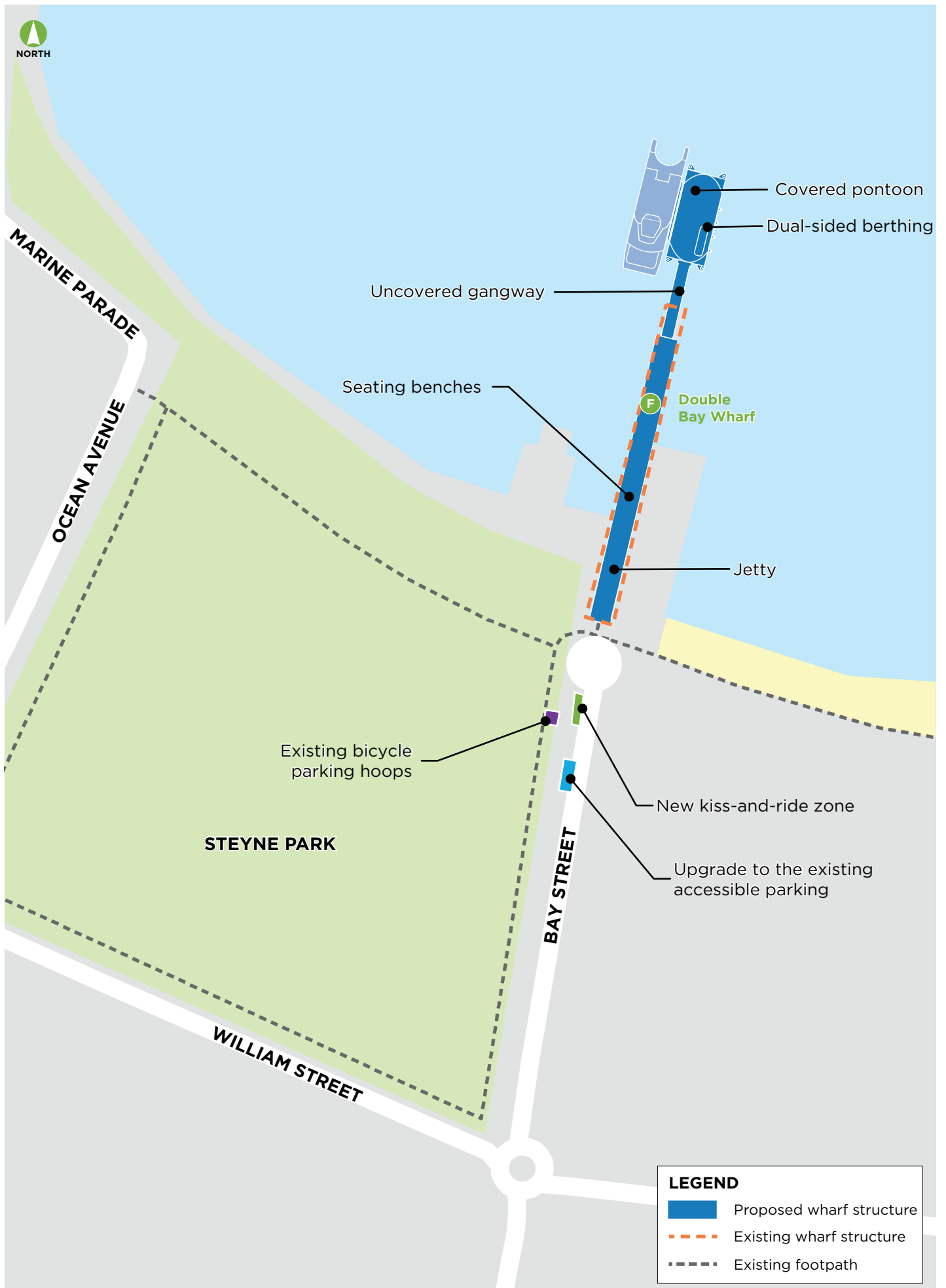
The existing wharf structure and jetty would be removed as part of this upgrade.

Potential construction impacts

Ferry services to Double Bay Wharf would be interrupted during the construction of the proposed wharf. Every effort would be made to lessen the disruption to the community. More information and the opportunity to provide feedback about how construction could affect you will be provided as part of the Review of Environmental Factors process.



The existing Double Bay Wharf.



Plan of proposed new Double Bay Wharf for illustrative purposes.

How to have your say

We invite you to provide feedback on the proposed wharf design. Feedback will be considered until **5pm Wednesday 5 May 2021**.

Due to school holidays we have extended consultation to six weeks so that everyone has a chance to have their say.

Complete our online survey at nswroads.work/doublebaywharf or contact us on the details below.

All feedback will be considered by the project team and used to inform the design. We will continue to keep customers and the community updated as the project progresses.

Community drop-in sessions

We invite you to come along to a community drop-in session in Double Bay, where members of the project team will be available to answer questions and provide information about the concept design. There will be no formal presentation so drop in at any time.

Social distancing measures will be in place to protect the safety of our staff and the community, we ask you to respect these measures when you visit our team.

Where: Bay Street (near the Double Bay ferry Wharf entrance)

When: Saturday 17 April 2021
between 2pm and 5pm

Tuesday 20 April 2021
between 7am and 10am

Other wharf upgrades in the area

Wharf interchanges across Sydney are being upgraded to improve the transport experience for customers and the community.

To find out more about wharf upgrades in your area visit rms.nsw.gov.au/wharfupgrades

What are the next steps?

Concept design is developed.

Feedback is sought from the community, customers and key stakeholders. Comments received during consultation are considered as part of the design process.

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A Review of Environmental Factors is prepared to assess the potential environmental impacts associated with the wharf upgrade.

The Review of Environmental Factors is put on public display for comment.

Submissions received during public display are considered as part of the final design process.

Pending determination of the Review of Environmental Factors, planning for construction will be completed.


Construction starts.



Scan the QR code to visit the project web page and learn more

Contact us

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