

Sportsmans Creek new bridge July 2016

The NSW Government is funding the Sportsmans Creek new bridge to improve traffic efficiency and road safety. Roads and Maritime Services invites you to provide feedback on the Review of Environmental Factors for the removal of the existing bridge.

Review of Environmental Factors for bridge removal

Roads and Maritime has completed a Review of Environmental Factors (REF) for the removal of the existing bridge and it is now on display for your information and comment.

Once the new bridge is complete and open to traffic, the existing bridge will be removed to reduce significant ongoing maintenance costs.

The Bridge Street approach to the existing bridge would become a cul-de-sac, and Flo Clark Park and Sportsmans Park would be joined on the south side of the creek.

The REF explains the proposed method of removing the bridge and the other options considered. It also addresses how the work will be managed and environmental methods used to minimise environmental impacts on:

• the local community, through road and creek access, noise and vibration

- flora and fauna, including a colony of microbats
- soils and water quality
- flooding.

In March 2015, we completed the REF to build the new bridge.

We are now displaying the REF for the removal of the existing bridge. You are invited to provide feedback on the REF by 28 August 2016.

Display locations

The REF is on display at these locations:

- Lawrence General and Liquor Store,
 1 Richmond Street, Lawrence
- Roads and Maritime regional office, 76 Victoria Street, Grafton
- Clarence Valley Council offices,
 2 Prince Street, Grafton and
 50 River Street, Maclean.

The report is also available for viewing online at <u>www.rms.nsw.gov.au/sportsmans</u>

Community information session

Members of the project team will be available to answer your questions about the REF and receive your feedback about the bridge's removal at:

 Lawrence Public Hall, Bridge Street, Lawrence, Thursday 11 August 2016, 3pm-7pm

There will be no formal presentation, so you can visit at any time during the session.

Have your say

Please provide feedback on the REF by 28 August 2016, by sending your comments to:

- Email: SportsmansCreekNewBridge@kbr.com
- Mail: Sportsmans Creek bridge removal Reply Paid 633, Brisbane QLD 4001
- Phone: (02) 6640 1300 (between 8.30am and 4.30pm)

Feedback can also be submitted at the community information session.

What happens next?

All comments received will be considered before the bridge is removed.

A submissions report summarising the comments made during consultation and a response to each issue will be available later this year.

We will continue to keep the community updated as the project progresses.

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For more information

For more information about the REF please contact Roads and Maritime Services Project Development Manager, David Andrews on:

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