



Tuncurry Boat Maintenance Facility upgrade

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Tuncurry Boat Maintenance upgrade (current slipway)

The NSW Government is delivering major improvements to maritime infrastructure and facilities across the state to help the boating and wider community safely access, use and navigate our rivers and coastal waters.

In February 2021, The NSW Government announced \$4.9 million of maritime stimulus funding for the upgrade of Tuncurry Boat Maintenance Facility.

Background

The Tuncurry boat maintenance facility (slipway) has been in operation in various forms since the establishment of Tuncurry in 1875, when it was a sawmill and ship yard.

The existing slipway is deteriorating and does not have adequate environmental controls to protect the surrounding marine environment.

The Tuncurry boat maintenance facility needs upgrading to meet current safety and environment standards.

Transport for NSW was recently appointed as the Crown Land Manager for the slipway that was previously managed by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment – Crown Lands (DPIE - Crown Lands).

Benefits of the project

The project aims to deliver a modern boat maintenance facility with best practice environmental controls to protect the sensitive surrounding environment.

The benefits of the project are:

- Increased community access and use of the boat maintenance facility
- Increased safety for users of the boat maintenance facility by upgrading infrastructure to meet relevant modern design standards and requirements
- Increase protection and improvement of Wallis Lake marine environment and upgrading the drainage and waste water treatment system.

Project Development

The project is in early stages of development of the Tuncurry Boat Maintenance Facility.

A concept design will be developed and we will seek feedback from the community in the coming months, as part of the Review of Environmental Factors (REF).

All feedback will be considered as part of finalising the design and environmental measures of the project.



What is happening now?

Site investigations are needed to inform the project planning and design stage.

The investigation work has started and will take about four months to complete, subject to COVID-19 restrictions, and weather and tides permitting. All site investigation work will comply with COVID-19 safety requirements.

The hours for investigation work will be **7am to 6pm Monday to Friday** and **8am to 1pm on Saturday**. Work outside of these hours would only occur to allow for tidal conditions and with relevant approvals. We will notify you before any outside of normal work hours starts.

Site investigations include:

- Land, water and utilities surveys
- Underground and underwater scanning of the work area
- Environmental assessment to understand potential impacts.

Next Steps

Transport for NSW will be continuing with early planning and project development our next steps are:

- Completing early site investigations
- Community “Have your say” on the REF and concept design.

We will continue to update you on the project as it progresses.

Frequently asked questions

Is the slipway area contaminated?

The existing slipway does not have adequate environmental controls and with consistent use over the years along with some pollution incidents, the sand in the waterway has potentially been contaminated. We will complete environmental assessments of the area.

What will you do about the contaminated area?

Investigations and environmental assessments will be completed to understand the extent of the contamination.

A plan will be developed on how to best manage the area and will be included as part of the REF. We will notify you before any work starts.

Will the community have an opportunity to comment on the project?

We will develop a concept design for the Tuncurry Boat Maintenance Facility.

The community and key stakeholders will have an opportunity to view and comment on the concept design, as part of the REF display in the coming months.

All feedback received will be considered as part of finalising the design and environmental measures of the project.

Will the Tuncurry Boat Maintenance Facility have a slipway or travel lift?

At this early stage of project development we do not have this level of detail. This information will be provided in the concept design and REF display and made available for community comment in the coming months.

What is a boat travel lift?

A boat travel lift is a hoist on wheels that can lift a boat out of the water and relocate the boat within a boat maintenance facility.



Example of a boat travel lift. Image supplied by Sydney City Marine

Contact us

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