

# Byron Bay Interchange

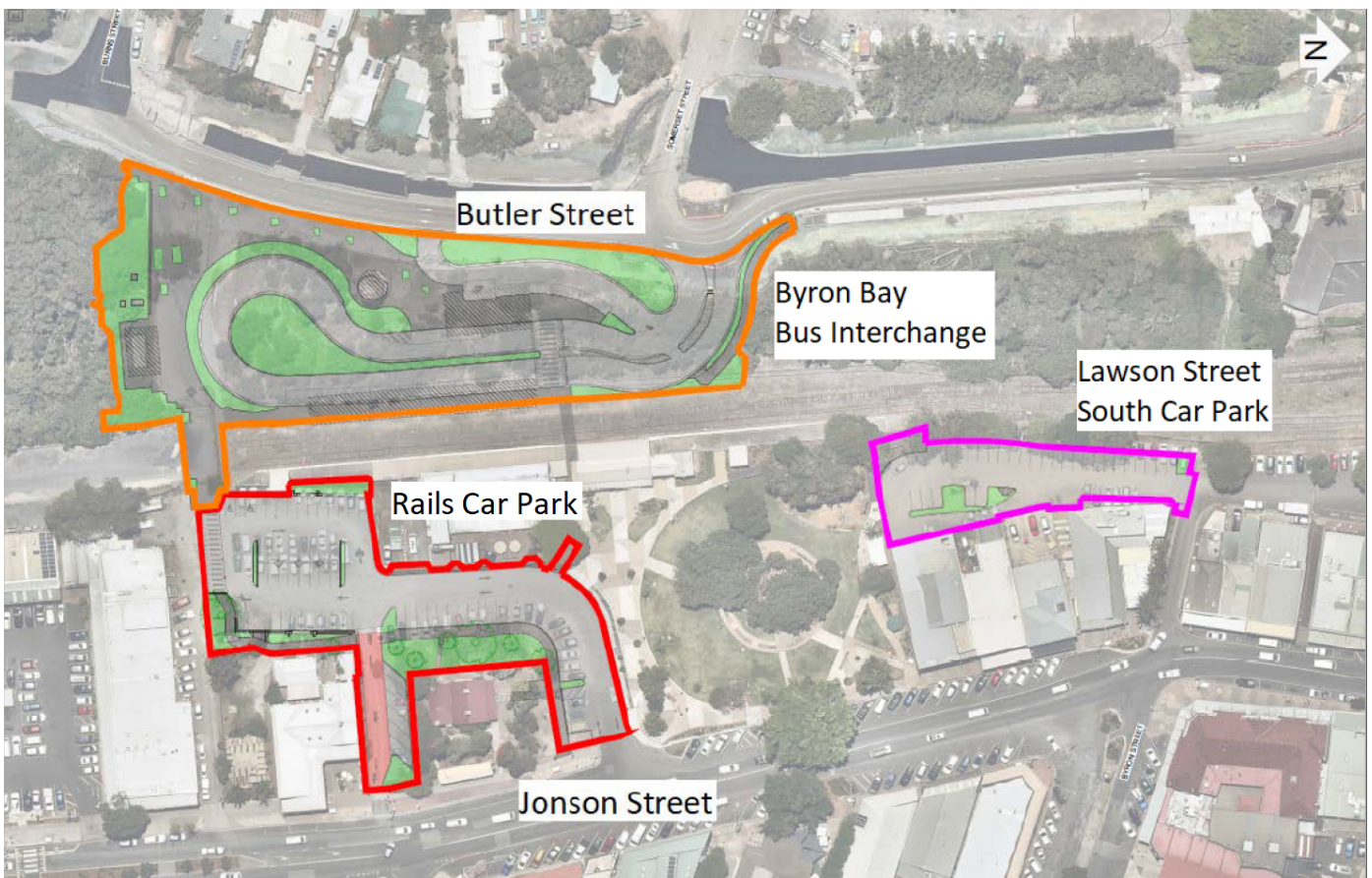
## Planning approval

**Planning approval has been granted for the Byron Bay Interchange, along with improvements to car parking facilities in the town centre.**

Major construction is expected to start on the bus interchange in March 2020 and the car parks from April 2020.

The existing Rails Car Park and Lawson Street South Car Park will receive upgrades including drainage, regrading and surface improvements, new kerb and gutters, landscaping, lighting and CCTV.

The South Lawson Street Car Park will feature 30 new parking spaces, including one accessible space and four motorbike parking spaces. The Rails Car Park will have 57 new parking spaces, including three accessible spaces, and an additional 8 staff parking spaces.



*Aerial view: project location in Byron Bay*

## Transport Access Program

The Byron Bay Interchange is being delivered as part of the **Transport Access Program**, a NSW Government initiative to provide a better experience for public transport customers by delivering accessible, modern, secure and integrated transport infrastructure across the state.

The Byron Bay Interchange will provide an interchange precinct that is accessible to those with a disability, limited mobility, parents/carers with prams and customers with luggage.

Planning approval follows the public display of the Review of Environmental Factors held between 23 May and 6 June 2019.

32 submissions were received from the community which have been considered by the project team and responded to in a Determination Report, which is now available on the project web page.

We would like to thank the community for their submissions.

### The upgrade will include:

- three dedicated coach and bus bays
- an additional bay for shuttle and mini-bus services
- an allocated area for kiss and ride and taxi services
- an accessible parking space
- allocated seating for those with reduced mobility
- a new amenities building with a family accessible toilet and ambulant toilets
- an upgraded pedestrian crossing to formally link to the town centre
- upgrades to the heritage water tower including stabilisation work
- landscaping using native species.

### Feedback from the community

The key themes that emerged during the public display period include:

- general support for the project
- questions about how the interchange will impact the look and feel of the area
- desire for the heritage significance of the area to be carefully considered

### Next steps

A construction contract is due to be awarded in the coming weeks, with work to start on the bus interchange in March 2020.

The project is expected to take up to 14 months to complete.



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