

Abbotsford Wharf upgrade

Community update 4

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The NSW Government is upgrading Abbotsford Wharf as part of the Transport Access Program. Following feedback from the community, the Review of Environmental Factors for the project has been finalised and work to upgrade the wharf will start on Wednesday 7 February 2018.

The upgrade of Abbotsford Wharf is part of a wider program of transport improvements for the Parramatta River, including upgraded wharves, increased ferry services and procurement of four new ferries for the Parramatta River.

Abbotsford Wharf will be closed during the upgrade from **Wednesday 7 February 2018** for about four months, weather and maritime conditions permitting.

We are currently finalising alternative transport that will be in place while the wharf is closed. We will provide full details to the community in January closer to the start of construction.

The Abbotsford Wharf design has been developed following feedback from the community and aims to balance safety, accessibility, efficient ferry operations and environmental impacts. The Review of Environmental Factors was on display for comment in September and October 2017.

Roads and Maritime received 11 submissions relating to the proposal and has prepared a submissions report which summarises the feedback and responses. The Review of Environmental Factors and submissions report can be viewed at rms.nsw.gov.au/abbotsford-wharf.

The new Abbotsford Wharf will provide:

- protection from the wind, rain and sun
- improved seating and waiting areas
- improved access for mobility impaired customers and customers with prams
- quicker and more efficient ferry boarding and disembarking
- effective wayfinding signage
- new lighting.

What to expect during the upgrade

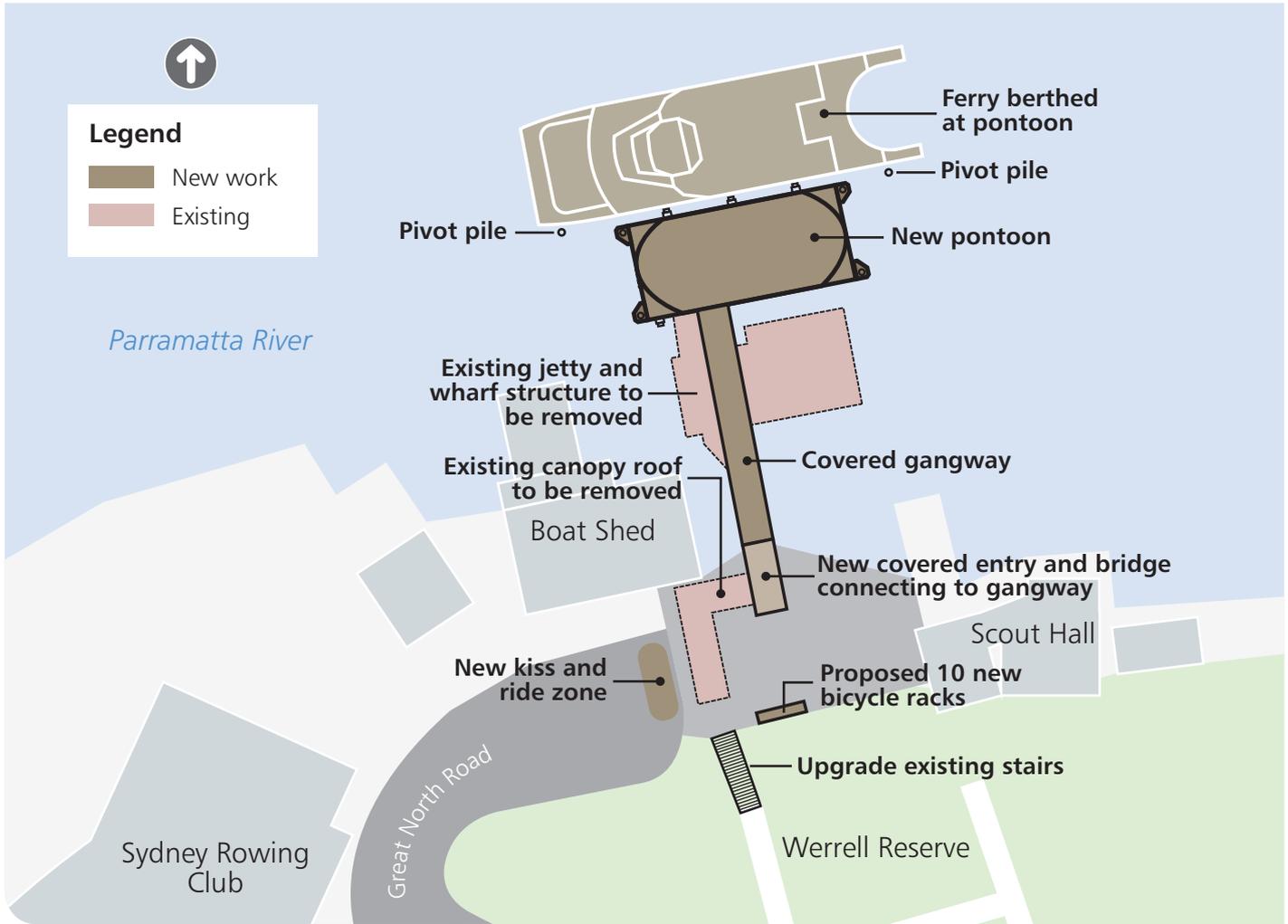
Construction will take about four months to complete, weather and maritime conditions permitting:

- establishing the site compound
- installing fencing, site hoarding and sheds
- removing the existing wharf
- installing steel piles
- upgrading the remaining section of the bridge structure including new cover
- installing the new covered pontoon connected to the entry bridge by the new covered gangway
- installing new seating and glass weather screening on the pontoon
- upgrading the existing stairs leading from Werrell Reserve
- marking a new kiss and ride zone
- installing new bicycle racks.

A temporary construction site compound will be established for the duration of the project. The exact location will be determined following further discussion with City of Canada Bay Council. The area will be fenced off and restricted to authorised personnel and visitors.

Our standard work hours will be between **7am and 6pm Monday to Friday** and between **8am and 1pm Saturday**. Early morning and night work will be required when the water is at its calmest as some work requires very still water for safety and accuracy. This includes installing piles and lifting and securing sections of the wharf into place. Installing piles will be noisy however, this work is intermittent. We will notify nearby residents and businesses prior to any early morning or night work taking place.

Plan of the new Abbotsford Wharf for illustrative purposes



The existing stairs leading down to the wharf

Contact the team

If you would like further information about the Abbotsford Wharf upgrade you can:

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