

SPOILBANK MARINA PROJECT UPDATE



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Major earthworks now underway

The Port Hedland Spoilbank Marina reached a project milestone when the Minister for Ports, Hon. Rita Saffioti, officially broke the ground at the site this month. The start of major earthworks followed the completion of Stage 1, where roads were upgraded to enable materials to be safely transported to the construction site, as well as creating a future gateway to the new marina.

Main Roads WA undertook the \$4 million road works, on behalf of the Department of Transport (DoT).

The Stage 2a bulk earthworks package was awarded to MGN Civil Pty Ltd to construct the marina basin footprint and establish ground levels. MGN

Civil is also the preferred tenderer for Stage 2c, which includes the construction of breakwaters to protect the marina from rough ocean conditions and the internal revetment walls of the marina basin.

MGN Civil has committed to sourcing 80 per cent of its contractors and suppliers from within the Pilbara and it will advertise jobs in local newspapers.

The tender for Stage 3 – to design and construct marine structures including the boat ramp and marina pens – is currently advertised on the Tenders WA website. The closing date is Monday 26 July 2021 at 4pm. This work will

Economic benefits

The benefits of the Spoilbank Marina project to the local economy are being felt across the Port Hedland community, with a continued focus on buying and hiring locally.

The latest data from Stage 1 shows that 35 per cent of our spend on sub-contractors and suppliers was on locally owned Aboriginal companies, while non-local Aboriginal sub-contractors and suppliers represented 15 per cent.

also provide sub-contractor opportunities for local businesses.



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STAGE 1 COMPLETE

Stage 1 of the Spoilbank Marina project and waterfront redevelopment was completed on time and on budget.

As scheduled, DoT completed the key road upgrades in March 2021, working with Main Roads WA to widen and extend

streets to provide a direct link to the marina.

Stage 1 works also included the relocation of underground power lines and introduction of new street lighting.

The completion of the Stage 1 works package, valued at \$4 million, cleared the way for

the start of Stage 2.

In another project milestone, DoT also secured Commonwealth environmental approval in February 2021 for the project which has since been transferred to Pilbara Ports Authority as the project proponent.

Get to know the contractor team - MGN Civil

MGN Civil, the company contracted to construct Spoilbank Marina's basin footprint and breakwaters, says it is proud to be part of a project that will become the jewel in the crown of Port Hedland.



MGN Civil's project manager for the marina, Guy Schweitzer, said other north-west towns such as Broome have popular waterfronts, and Port Hedland's marina will be a unique attraction because it will have a magnificent industrial setting as a backdrop.

"We have a lot of experience in similar, large-scale marine construction projects, and we're committed to making it a great success," said Mr Schweitzer.

"There has been criticism that we are a Queensland company, but we have a proven record in projects such as this, and when we take on a project, we ensure we embed ourselves in the local community and create employment opportunities for locals," he said.

"At the moment, two-thirds of our management team are residing in Port Hedland, and you'll see us out and about in the community."

Mr Schweitzer said MGN is committed to sourcing 80 per cent of its contractors and suppliers from within the Pilbara during the earthworks phase. It is also committed to purchasing goods and services from within the Pilbara, wherever possible.

Anyone interested in working on the project as part of the MGN Civil team can email their CV to fran@mgncivil.com.au. Roles will include drivers for excavators, dozers, rollers, and water and dump trucks.

ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVALS

Federal environmental approvals are in place to ensure construction work at Spoilbank Marina is undertaken in a way that takes seasonal fauna activity and weather conditions into account.

The Commonwealth Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (DAWE) approval has set out the environmental conditions associated with the construction of the marina, including the need to comply with several environmental management plans.

PPA will work with site contractors to ensure these conditions are met as part of the works program. Conditions include restrictions to working between 30 November to 1 April to respect turtle nesting season, as well as avoid the cyclone season.

Public access remains for eastern Spoilbank

The Port Hedland community can continue to enjoy access to the eastern side of the Spoilbank for the duration of construction of the Spoilbank Marina.

Pilbara Port Authority's Spoilbank Marina Project Manager, John Freimanis, said fencing will soon be erected at the site, and signage will explain

the changes in access.

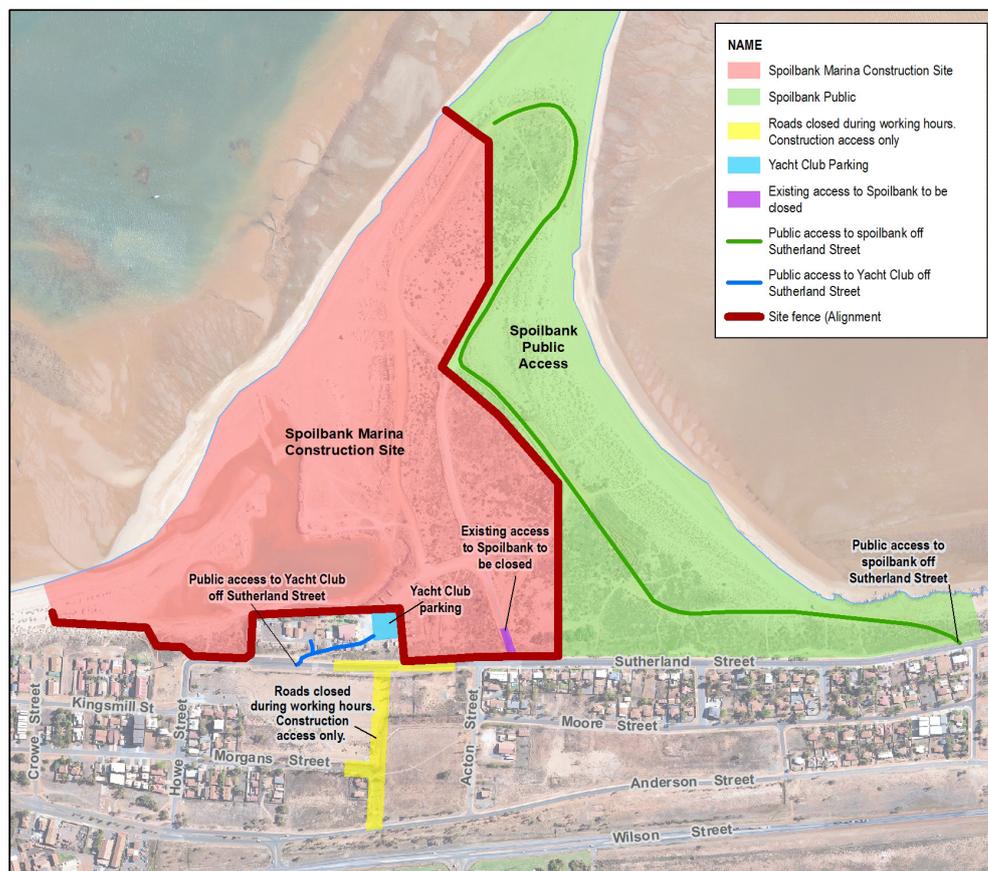
"During construction of the marina, there will be modified access to the Port Hedland Yacht Club, and the main access to the Spoilbank will be moved to the eastern side," Mr Freimanis said.

"Existing tracks will also be upgraded to provide access to 2WD vehicles," he said.

"Importantly, the public will still

be able to access the eastern side and northern tip of the Spoilbank for a range of activities, including fishing, 4WDing, kite surfing, dog walking and picnics."

Mr Freimanis said people will start noticing changes to access around the Spoilbank in July, with the construction site expected to be fully established in September.



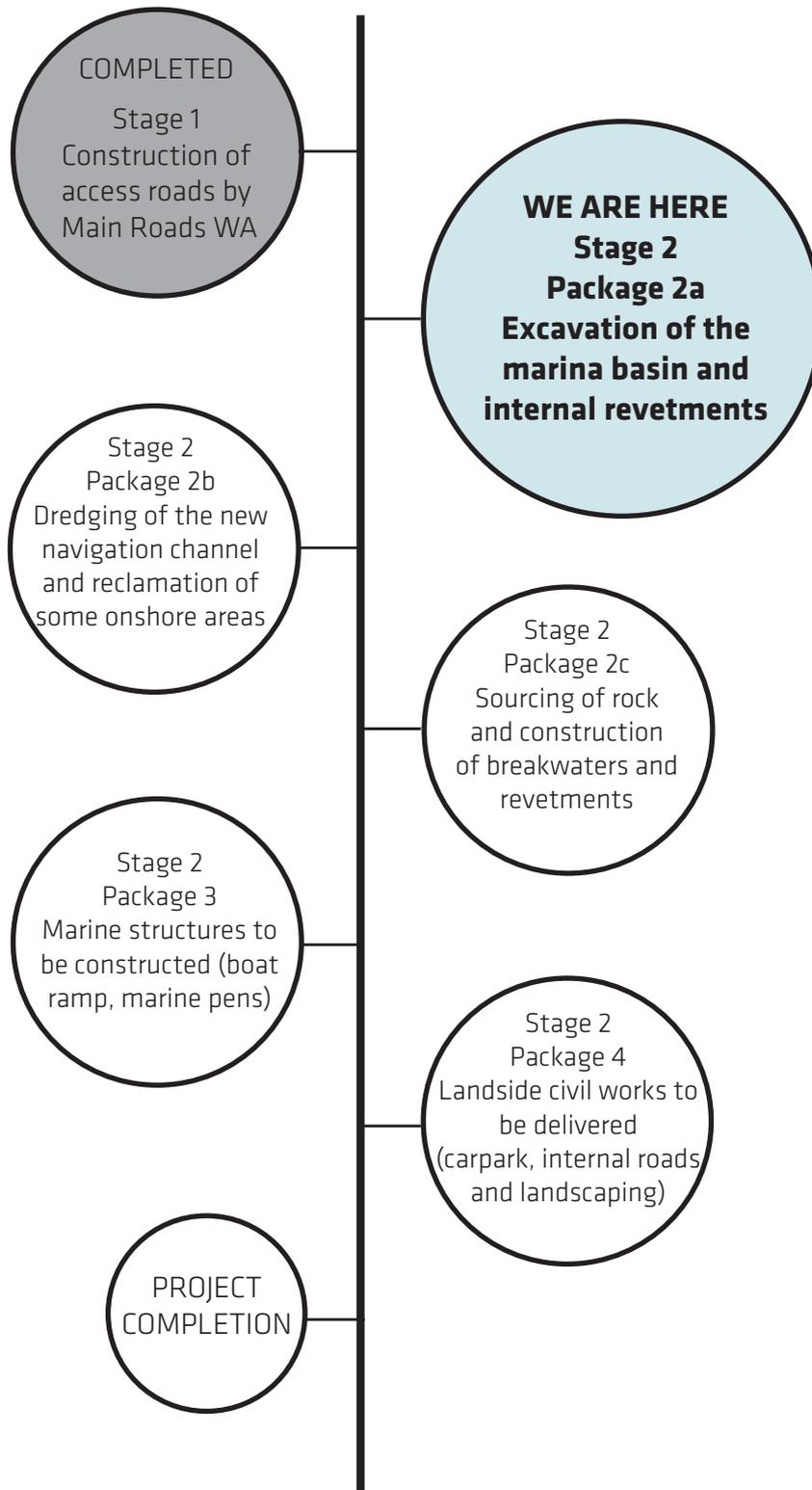
Extension of tender deadline for Stage 3

The closing date for the tender of Stage 3 – to design and construct marine structures, including the boat ramp and marina pens - has been extended to 26 July 2021. Visit tenders.wa.gov.au for more information.

Any questions?

Please follow the Spoilbank Marina page on Facebook, and email any questions to Spoilbank.marina@pilbaraports.com.au

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