

# Eden Breakwater Wharf Extension Project

## Community update—June–July 2018

*Jointly funded by the Australian Government, New South Wales Government and Bega Valley Shire Council, the \$44 million Eden Breakwater Wharf Extension Project is an important multi-government initiative to drive economic growth in the region.*

### Stage two marine structures ongoing

Waterway Constructions is continuing work on stage two of the project. Approximately 10% of wharf piles have been driven into the seabed to create the foundations for the new wharf extension. Work to be undertaken in June and July includes:

- fabricating concrete headstocks and deck planks to form the new wharf platform
- piling for the onshore and offshore bollards which will secure vessels while moored at the new wharf
- drilling and concreting rock sockets for piles that cannot be driven into the seabed
- application of a protective coating to piles and surrounding areas to protect them from the marine environment.

Piling and associated work activities will continue to be undertaken during normal construction hours of **7am to 6 pm Monday to Friday** and from **8 am to 1 pm Saturday**. Piling will not be continuous throughout the work day and there will be a scheduled respite of one hour between 12 pm and 2 pm Monday to Friday. There will also be non-scheduled respite periods such as when moving barges, positioning piling rigs, and preparing and lifting piles and equipment into place.

### Marine mammal management

Whales often come into Snug Cove/Two-fold Bay as part of their annual migration north from July to December and their return south between August and December. As whales are a protected species under state and Commonwealth legislation, additional conditions and management controls have been put in place for the duration of the project to ensure there are no negative impacts. This includes:

- the development of a project-specific aquatic ecology management plan and monitoring program that will be in effect for the duration of the project
- education of all project personnel via site inductions and toolbox talks
- the presence of trained marine mammal observers who visually monitor for whales for a minimum of 30 minutes before the commencement of piling. If no whales have been spotted within the observation zone after 30 minutes, there is a gradual increase in piling impact of no more than 50% of full impact energy for 10 minutes. If no whales have been sighted, full impact piling will then commence. If visibility is poor and marine animal observers are unable to clearly identify objects to the full observation zone distance, a vessel search will be conducted until visibility has improved. If any whales are spotted, piling will cease for a minimum of one hour after the last sighting.



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### Ministerial visit

The Hon. Anthony Roberts, Minister for Planning, visited the project with his family before the commencement of piling. Minister Roberts, who has final approval and signoff for major projects in the state, was enthusiastic about the project and the benefits to the region the wharf will bring once completed.



Piling at the Breakwater Wharf



Minister Roberts and family in Eden

### Further information

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