

Rhyll Boating Facility Upgrade

Update

JULY 2020



Rhyll Boating Facility is one of six boating facilities the government committed to upgrade as part of its unprecedented investment in recreational boating.

These facilities were selected based on advice from various stakeholders including the boating and angling community.

What's happened so far

We engaged a specialist port and coastal engineering firm to develop three draft concepts that we consulted the community on.

We used the feedback we received to inform a final concept design that proposes to improve the Rhyll boating facility. The community supports the final design that was released in February 2020.

We engaged consultants to prepare a Heritage Impact Statement to ensure proposed works at the Rhyll Boating facility do not potentially impact or disturb known shipwrecks in the vicinity.

In addition, an assessment has been undertaken to identify Aboriginal and historical cultural heritage values that may be present within the project area.

The findings of both reports are currently being analysed and will be presented to the Project Control Group (PCG) for comment.

We have convened a PCG to provide guidance on the project. The PCG includes representatives from Bass Coast Shire Council, Parks Victoria, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP), Maritime Safety Victoria (MSV) and Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA).

The PCG's role is to provide advice and support on key issues including planning and consents required for successful delivery; ensuring the detailed design meets project objectives and requirements; providing leadership, guidance and direction to the Project Manager on the management of the project. The first PCG meeting will take place in the first week of July.

What's happening right now

To ensure comprehensive management and planning of the project, we are seeking a Project Manager that we aim to have appointed in July. The Project Manager will be responsible for the procurement process to appoint contractors to deliver works. Better Boating Victoria and Bass Coast Shire Council will oversee this process.

What's happening next

We recognise the importance of community input and will be establishing a Project Reference Group (PRG) that will include community members. The role of this group will be to provide feedback on issues relating to the Rhyll Boating Facility Upgrade.

The PRG will also be involved in helping us develop heritage signage for the project area and guide the design of the new playground in consultation with local parents and carers.

Need more information?

Find out more about the government's recreational boating initiatives at www.betterboating.vic.gov.au