

State Growth

New Bridgewater Bridge

October 2020

Project update

As part of the Hobart City Deal, the Australian and Tasmanian Governments have committed \$576 million for a new Bridgewater Bridge. This is the largest ever investment in a single transport infrastructure project in Tasmania's history.

Building a new Bridgewater Bridge will improve safety and reduce congestion for the thousands of people who travel across the bridge and on surrounding roads each day, delivering a more reliable journey for drivers, freight operators, and the local community, and remove wait times for river vessels.

Current situation

- Work on the project is progressing, with geotechnical, environmental and heritage investigations underway to inform the design of the new bridge and interchanges.
- Eight design requirements and two concept designs for the new bridge were released in July 2020.
- Two shortlisted tenderers are due to start a competitive Early Contractor Involvement (ECI) tender process in December 2020.
- The reference design has now been released to the community for consideration and feedback.
- The reference design, and feedback received, will be given to the two shortlisted tenderers as they develop the designs they will submit as part of their tenders.
- The final design of the bridge may be different to the reference design but it will still need to meet the design requirements and fit within budget.

Community Consultation

Community consultation is happening between **Monday, 19 October 2020** and **Friday, 13 November 2020**.

The reference design can be viewed online or by attending one of our **community drop-in sessions**:

Date: Wednesday, 28 October 2020

Venue: Brighton Civic Centre, 25 Greenpoint Road, Bridgewater

Session 1: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Session 2: 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

The information available at the community drop-in sessions will be the same as the information available online.

To ensure that COVID-19 social distancing measures can be applied, attendees will need to register to attend one of the sessions above.

Visit www.transport.tas.gov.au/newbridgewaterbridge to view the reference design or register to attend a drop-in session, or call 1800 517 290.



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Design requirements



The new crossing will link the Brooker, Lyell and Midland Highways with local roads at Bridgewater and Granton



The bridge will have a minimum design speed of 80km/h



There will be at least four traffic lanes (two in each direction)



There will be grade separated intersections (overpass/underpass) at Black Snake Road and Lyell Highway, Granton



The new bridge will have a navigation height consistent with the Bowen Bridge



A shared pathway for pedestrians and cyclists will be included



Throw screens and safety barriers will be installed

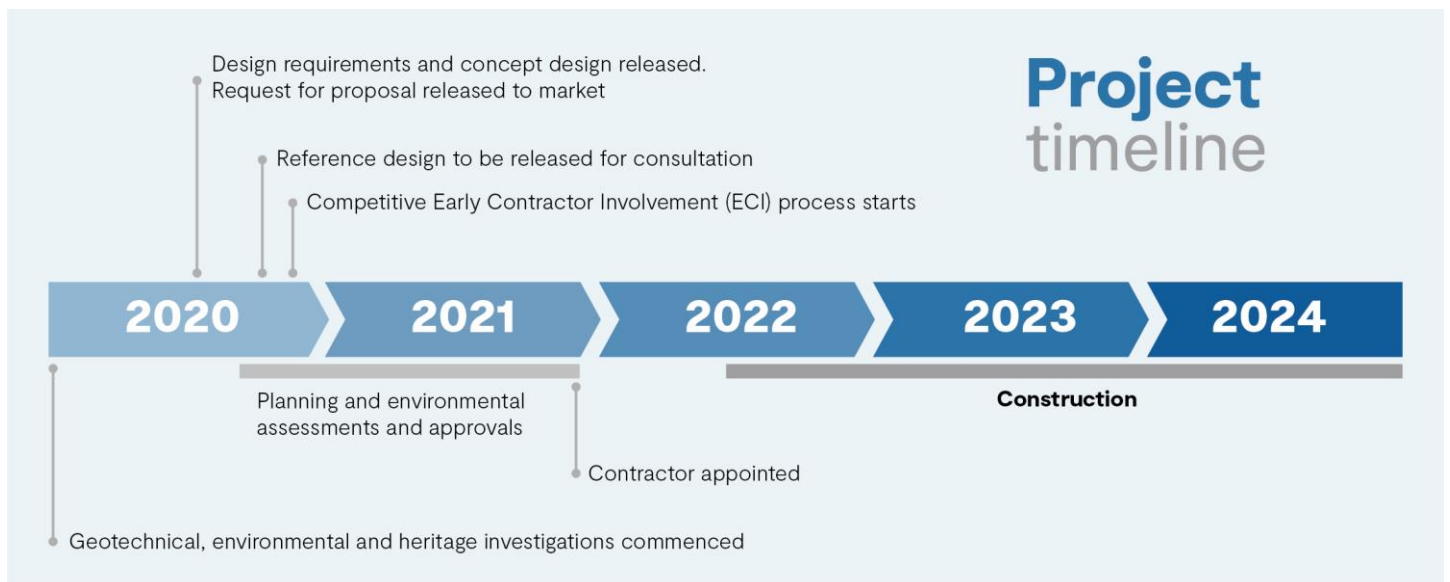


The new bridge will not preclude the future use of the existing rail corridor

What is a reference design?

A reference design shows what may be built to deliver the project's design requirements within the budget that is available and is used to seek feedback from the community.

The reference design is not the final design for the new bridge, and it is likely it will evolve throughout the competitive design process as contractors look for the most value for money solution, while considering community feedback.



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