



State Growth

## New Bridgewater Bridge

The completion of the temporary bridge, made up of a steel section to the north, and 12 barges to the south, is an important project milestone. This steel platform provides construction access for our workers, plant, equipment and materials across the River Derwent while maintaining traffic flow in both directions on the existing bridge.

Project update October 2023

**As part of the Hobart City Deal, the Australian and Tasmanian governments have committed \$786 million to build a new Bridgewater Bridge.**

Information about the project can be found at [bridgewaterbridge.tas.gov.au](https://bridgewaterbridge.tas.gov.au)  
Major construction is continuing on the project.

### What work is coming up?

Work planned through to December 2023 will include:

- delivery and erection of the first pre-cast bridge segments on the northern side of the river
- starting superstructure works for the land bridge at Boyer Road, Bridgewater
- ongoing concrete pours for piling and bridge piers
- ongoing construction of the new bridge approaches and abutments
- ongoing oversize truck deliveries of materials from across the state
- ongoing major earthworks on the southern side including removal of rock wall material on the western side of Black Snake Road, will progress into road finishing work
- completion of earthworks for the new on and off-ramps between the Midland Highway and Old Main Road, Bridgewater
- completion of the upgrade of Old Main Road, Bridgewater
- implement Traffic Stage 2 in Granton in December, which will divert traffic from the Brooker Highway onto the new section of the Lyell Highway.

### Temporary bridge completed

The completion of the temporary bridge is enabling construction access across the River Derwent.

This working platform allows workers to continue the installation of piles and piers and more recently the start of the placement of 1,082 concrete bridge segments that will form the deck of the New Bridgewater Bridge.

By building the temporary bridge, we are able to move our workers, materials, and equipment such as large cranes and construction vehicles, across the river and minimise disruption to the road network.

Made up of 12 large barges on the southern side, and a temporary steel and concrete bridge on the northern side, the platform is supported by 72 piles driven into the river bed.

There will be no public access onto the temporary bridge, and it will be removed when the project is complete.





## Bridgewater

North

Major earthworks for construction of the new Midland Highway on and off-ramps is continuing.

Widening of the Midland Highway is continuing.

The purpose-built pre-cast facility on Cove Hill Road, Bridgewater, continues to produce the 1,082 concrete bridge segments that will form the bridge deck.

Main site compound.

Midland Highway

Finlay Street

Hayton Place

Gunn Street

Boyer Road

Construction of the new Boyer Road underpass is continuing.

Northern bridge abutment.

The first concrete bridge segments will soon be placed on top of the most northerly piers.

Old Main Road

The upgrade of Old Main Road will be completed in late 2023.

Nielsen Esplanade

Northern site compound.

The temporary bridge has been completed, allowing our workers, plant and material to move across the River Derwent while maintaining traffic flow on the existing bridge.

River Derwent



# Granton

North

An important part of the project is the upgrading of the drainage assets in the area, along with other utility relocation. This work is progressing.

Traffic has been switched onto a temporary section of Black Snake Road while part of the new Lyell Highway is built. Traffic conditions will temporarily change again in late 2023.

Black Snake Road

Southern site compound.

Dickenson Drive

Main Road

George Street

Brooker Highway

The new southern section of the Lyell Highway will be located here.

Work to stabilise the rockwall using soil nails and shotcrete is continuing.

Southern bridge abutment.

River Derwent

Rusts Road

Southern land reclamation area.





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Below, the newest edition to the project's purpose-built pre-cast facility in Bridgewater, is a 100 ton gantry crane that will be used to lift segments out of the casting shed and into the storage area, and then onto low loader transport that will deliver the segments to both sides of the new bridge.



Above, as part of the final design, motorists travelling south from some parts of Bridgewater will access the Midland Highway by driving from Old Main Road into the new Boyer Road underpass. The underpass' reinforced soil slope walls have been completed and will soon have super T concrete beams placed on top. The beams are being produced in Latrobe.

### Out of hours work

Standard construction hours are  
**Monday to Friday from 7am to 6pm,  
and Saturdays from 8am to 6pm.**

These hours are when our usual construction work occurs, and any high impact work which includes piling for the permanent bridge.

Outside of the standard construction hours there are mostly lower impact activities that must take place.

This includes the movement of oversized trucks to our construction sites which will often travel at night to avoid peak traffic periods.

To take advantage of favourable wind conditions and tides, our work on and near the water will start early and continue into the night. This includes the use of punts and other vessels, and the relocation of cranes.

There will also be concrete deliveries and pours taking place outside of standard construction hours. This work will ensure the quality and strength of the concrete used in new permanent bridge.

Some of low impact work will also occur on Sundays.

### Check out the latest drone images and footage

To keep up to date with construction progress, it is easy to view the latest images and footage of all of the New Bridgewater Bridge construction sites.

Just go to the project website, or use the QR code.



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