

# PORT BOTANY CONTAINER TERMINAL EXPANSION PROJECT

## Questions & Answers

### Changes to public access - Foreshore Beach (August 2009 to March 2011)

**Q. Why is a temporary change to pedestrian access to Foreshore Beach required?**

- A. Pedestrian access to the beach needs to be temporarily diverted to allow for the construction of the new boat ramp, the Mill Stream lookout and for beach nourishment works to take place. The diversions ensure construction activities continue whilst safe access for the community is maintained.

**Q. How long is access to Foreshore Beach going to be affected?**

- A. The temporary change to the pedestrian access will be in place until Project completion, scheduled for March 2011.

**Q. What are the changes to the pedestrian access arrangements to Foreshore Beach? When will they apply?**

- A. There are two (2) main changes to pedestrian beach access, as represented in the map over the page (Figure 1). One is temporary and the other is the final access points.

Section	Location	Timing
A	Middle section of the beach approximately 460m in length (temporary)	Open until Project Completion (March 2011)
B	Length of beach between millstream groyne and the new boat ramp facility is opened (final).	Open to the public on Project completion (scheduled March 2011).

At the completion of the Project the entire beach will be re-opened to the public.

**Q. How much of the beach will be accessible to the public during construction activities?**

- A. No less than 150 metres of beach will be accessible to the public at all times during construction activities.

**Q. Will parking on Foreshore Road be affected?**

- A. Parking along Foreshore Road directly adjacent to construction zones will not be permitted. There will be accessible parking available on Foreshore Road for beach users. Signage will be in place advising motorists of parking restrictions.

**Q. How will I know when access to the beach will change?**

- A. Signage will be installed at current beach access points advising beach users of any changes to current access points and the date of future changes.

Signage will also be in place explaining restrictions for the use of vessels including watercraft, using the area off Foreshore Beach.



**Q. Will I still be able to swim at the beach?**

- A. There will be no changes to current swimming conditions whilst in the designated public access areas of the beach. Signage will be in place advising beach users to be mindful of offshore construction activities, the construction zone and associated marine hazards present in these zones and environmental protection areas.

**Q. Will I still be able to launch my watercraft such as a kayak, surf ski or wind surfer from Foreshore Beach?**

- A. The public are reminded that the waters along Foreshore Beach are a designated construction zone. Please refer to NSW Maritime Marine Notice SU0807 of July 2008.

This notice requires that any vessel, including passive craft, must not enter the construction zones and are to keep well clear of any service craft, equipment and the actual construction area.

A vessel includes watercraft of any description used, or capable of being used, as a means of transportation on water.

The construction zone has been in place since 1 July 2008. Vessels are required to use the designated navigation channel when accessing Penrhyn Road boat ramp.

**Q. Who monitors compliance to the Marine Notice? What are the penalties if you do not comply?**

- A. Compliance to the Marine Notice is monitored by NSW Maritime. A breach of the Marine Legislation can attract a penalty of up to \$1500.

**Q. How can I find out more information?**

- A. An information sheet detailing the changes to the designated navigation channel is available by contacting the Project.

Contact the project via:

[www.sydneyports.com.au](http://www.sydneyports.com.au)

Project Information Line: 1800 177 722

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For additional information regarding the Marine Notice please contact NSW Maritime:

[www.maritime.nsw.gov.au](http://www.maritime.nsw.gov.au)

NSW Maritime Information Line: 131 256

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**Figure 1. Changes to pedestrian access to Foreshore Beach from Foreshore Road (August 2009 to March 2011)**

