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## **Port Botany Pedestrian Bridge**

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The NSW Government's expansion of Port Botany is enhancing community facilities with the construction of a pedestrian bridge which will link Sir Joseph Banks Park to Foreshore Beach.

Ports and Waterways Minister Joe Tripodi today unveiled the design of the new bridge which will provide the community with safe and convenient access to the \$30 million upgrade of Foreshore Beach and Penryhn Estuary.

"As part of the NSW Government's \$1 billion Port Botany Expansion, the community will be able to share in a number of new amenities such as this state-of-the art bridge," Mr Tripodi said.

"The pedestrian bridge will make it easier and safer for children and residents to access the facilities being completed on Foreshore Beach, including a new boat ramp.

"One of the design specifications was to ensure that the bridge can be used simultaneously by pedestrians and cyclists."

Mr Tripodi said piling activities associated with the bridge were completed last month and an enclosed temporary work compound adjacent to the existing lookout would remain in place until approximately October.

Seven of the piles associated with the bridge piers are located within Sir Joseph Banks Park, four within the median strip and an additional 31 piles are located on the south side of Foreshore Road.

"When completed by the end of this year, the bridge will link the beach area with the existing car park at Fremlin Street.

"This will give residents an alternate place to park when using the redeveloped Foreshore Beach," Mr Tripodi said.

Sydney Ports Corporation will also provide a new four-lane boat ramp with improved public amenities including toilets, bicycle parking, showers, security lighting, engine washing facilities and an enclosed fish cleaning facility.

Other works to redevelop Foreshore Beach and Penrhyn Estuary include:

- Revegetation of the foreshore dunes with native plants;
- 1km of pedestrian and cycle paths with solar lighting;
- A new lookout at the western end of Foreshore Beach with 30 parking spaces;

- A new bird hide and viewing platform at the eastern end of Foreshore Beach.

“These are further examples of how the Port Botany Expansion project is investing in our community’s future,” Mr Tripodi said.

Apart from some short term diversions, access to Sir Joseph Banks Park and the lookout will continue to be maintained throughout the construction period.

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