

# Stakeholder update

## Closure of Tooradin Jetty's low landing and berthing facilities

Tooradin Jetty's low landing and berthing facilities will be closed in the interest of public safety due to failing infrastructure. Alternative free boating access to Western Port and short-term berthing is available at Tooradin Boat Ramp, located at the end of Foreshore Road. Alternatively, you can launch from Warneet South jetty or Blind Bight boat ramp.

### What is changing?

Following an assessment Parks Victoria will close Tooradin Jetty's low landing and berthing facilities due to failed ladder rungs, fenders and walers. The jetty supports and deck are safe for pedestrian access, allowing the jetty to remain open for walking and fishing.

This closure does not impact use of Tooradin Boat Ramp or boating access to Western Port from Sawtell's Inlet, Tooradin. Recreational vessels, mooring holders and Tooradin 'TideMaster' vessel are advised to use the nearby Tooradin Boat Ramp while the jetty's low landing and berthing facilities are temporarily closed. Locally moored boats and Tooradin 'TideMaster' passengers will be able to board and disembark from Tooradin Boat Ramp pontoon.

Other local launching and mooring facilities include Warneet South jetty and boat ramp, or Blind Bight boat ramp located in the neighbouring inlets west of Tooradin.

Stakeholder input will be sought to determine the best options to replace the structure.

### Next steps

- Stairs to the low landing will be removed and a safety barrier and signage installed to prohibit access to the low landing.
- Parks Victoria is keen to have the jetty fully operational again and will discuss options with users and the Tooradin Foreshore Committee of Management at the appropriate time.

### Parks Victoria's role in waterway management

Parks Victoria is the designated waterway manager for Port Phillip and Western Port under the Marine Safety Act 2010 (MSA).

It is Parks Victoria's responsibility to ensure safe port operations, manage port infrastructure including piers, jetties and navigational aids, and prepare and implement Safety and Environmental Management Plans. For more information please visit [www.parks.vic.gov.au/water-management](http://www.parks.vic.gov.au/water-management).



*Current poor condition of fenders and walers.*

