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### Progress update on the Walkers Point boat ramp upgrade

- Detailed planning for the upgrade of the Walkers Point boat ramp at Woodgate has progressed with the design layout now finalised.
- A complete rebuild of the facility is planned including a new floating walkway and the construction of a new rock wall.
- Significant Cultural Heritage complexities which have been successfully worked through as the project moves to the next phase.

Progress on the Walkers Point boat ramp upgrade is cruising ahead, with the design finalised and plans for a complete rebuild prioritising safety, access, and cultural heritage.

In early 2025, the Queensland Government announced plans to upgrade the Walkers Point boat ramp at Woodgate to improve access for boaties in the Great Sandy Marine Park region.

A complete rebuild of the facility is planned to revamp the existing two-lane boat ramp, provide a new floating walkway on the upstream side of the ramp, and construct a new rock wall to provide a shelter for launching recreational watercraft. These upgrades will improve access and safety for users.

As part of the project's planning and design phase, Cultural Heritage considerations have been at the forefront of project design. While these important considerations have provided some complexities to the project, detailed design of the site has been finalised, ensuring the best outcome for both boaties and our region's ancient cultural heritage.

The upgraded Walkers Point ramp is due for completion in mid-2026, weather conditions permitting.

For more information about this important upgrade, contact the MSQ project team via email at [boatinginfrastructure@msq.qld.gov.au](mailto:boatinginfrastructure@msq.qld.gov.au) or phone 13 QGOV (13 74 68).

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**Further information:** Next steps and estimated timeline subject to suitable construction conditions such as weather and site issues, are:

- October 2025 – Obtain environmental approvals and advertise construction tenders
- December 2025 – Award construction contract
- Early 2026 – Onsite works commence
- May/June-2026 – Project completion, weather and site conditions permitting.