












NEW EUROBODALLA REGIONAL HOSPITAL

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The new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital will be a sustainable, modern and purpose-built hospital to support the needs of the entire Eurobodalla Shire from Narooma to Batemans Bay.

The new hospital will be larger than both Moruya and Batemans Bay hospitals combined, designed with the capacity to grow as demand for services changes. Using the latest technology and models of care, the new hospital will deliver patient-centred health services close to home.

The project will deliver

	An emergency department		Surgical and operating theatres and a day stay surgical unit		Paediatric and maternity services, and a special care nursery
	An eight bed Intensive Care Unit (ICU) /Close Observation Unit (COU)		Expanded medical imaging, including MRI		Mental health beds for short term admissions
	Increased capacity for chemotherapy treatments and increased access to renal dialysis		Ambulatory care for community outpatient services		Enhanced education and training facilities, including a simulation laboratory.

The new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital is being delivered in partnership with Health Infrastructure and the Southern New South Wales Local Health District.

State Significant Development Application

Health Infrastructure is required to lodge a State Significant Development Application (SSDA) with the Department of Planning and Environment.

The SSDA seeks approval for the construction and operation of a hospital in south-east Moruya that will service the needs of the Eurobodalla Shire community.

How is the State Significant Development Application assessed?

The SSDA requires the development of a comprehensive Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to detail the project activities, any potential environmental impacts, and proposed mitigation measures to manage these impacts.

The Department of Planning and Environment will assess the planning application and the EIS. A recommendation will then be made to the Minister for Planning (or delegate), who is the consent authority/approver for the SSDA.

The Environmental Impact Statement

The EIS is a comprehensive technical document that provides information on the development of the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and potential environmental impacts. It outlines how these impacts can be appropriately mitigated.

Features of the new Hospital that must be assessed in the EIS are determined by the Department of Planning and Environment, in consultation with stakeholders, such as the Eurobodalla Shire Council and other government agencies including Transport for NSW.

These are outlined in the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements which can be found on the Department's website: <https://pp.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects>. The EIS is used to inform development approval decisions.

What does the Environmental Impact Statement include?

The EIS for the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital includes detailed information to address the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements.

These cover the following areas and consider impacts during construction through to operation of a new hospital:

- Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment
- Arboriculture and biodiversity assessment
- Architectural and landscape design
- Bushfire
- Civil design and structure
- Community engagement report
- Construction management plan
- Construction and operational waste management plan
- Contamination and potential hazards analysis
- Environmental wind assessment
- Geotechnical assessment
- Heritage assessment
- Impact on airspace
- Noise and vibration
- Policies and strategic context
- Social impacts
- Transport and accessibility.

Next steps

Following completion of the public exhibition period:

- Health Infrastructure will review all the community and government agency submissions received by the Department of Planning and Environment and will produce a Response to Submissions Report. This report is provided back to Department of Planning and Environment and will be considered as part of the overall review of the applications.
- The Department of Planning and Environment will assess the SSDA and consider all community and government agency submissions.
- The Department of Planning and Environment will make a recommendation to the Minister for Planning after reviewing the SSDA, community and government agency submissions and the Response to Submissions Report.
- The Minister for Planning (or delegate) will then determine the application, including applying consent conditions that must be adhered to for the detailed design, construction and operations of the new facility.
- Work will commence on the site once planning approvals are in place, subject to consent conditions satisfied.
- The new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital is expected to be completed in 2025.

State Significant Development Application process



Scoping

Scoping Report
Secretary's
Environmental
Assessment
Requirements



EIS Preparation

Environmental
Impact Statement
(EIS)



Public Exhibition

Submissions



Respond to Submission

Response to
submissions report



Assessment

Assessment report
and recommended
conditions of
consent



Determination

Determination
of application

Have your say

The Department of Planning and Environment will publicly exhibit the Environmental Impact Statement.

The public exhibition process is your opportunity to review detailed documentation on the planning for the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and have your say through the formal submissions process.

If you would like to lodge feedback on the SSDA for new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital, you can view the application on the Department of Planning and Environment's website planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/eurobodalla-regional-hospital.

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