



NEW EUROBODALLA REGIONAL HOSPITAL

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

State Significant Development Application (SSDA)

What is the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital?

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.

Who is delivering the redevelopment?

Health Infrastructure, in partnership with the Southern New South Wales Local Health District, is delivering the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital on behalf of the NSW Government.

An integrated project team, made up of project managers, architects and a range of specialist consultants is managing the planning, design and delivery of the project.

What services are planned for the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital?

The new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital will include:

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

What is the planning pathway for this project?

The first and important step in the early works construction involves Aboriginal archaeological works.

Early work involves site investigations to determine the best methodologies to identify, assess and salvage artefacts that may be uncovered during this process.

The Eurobodalla Regional Hospital project team is working closely with the local Aboriginal community to undertake this work.

Construction of the new hospital will commence following the completion of the archaeological work, finalisation of the design, and planning approval.

What is a public exhibition period?

All development applications for State Significant Developments (SSD) must be exhibited for at least 28 days. The exhibition period provides an opportunity for the community to have their say. During the exhibition period, anyone can make a written submission on the project.

Community participation is an essential part of the SSD assessment process. All development applications for SSD go through a comprehensive assessment process with extensive community involvement.

Can I make a formal submission to the Development Application?

Yes. You can make a submission via the Department of Planning and Environment website, where the application will be on public exhibition. It is a comprehensive technical document that provides information on potential environmental impacts of the development and how these impacts can be appropriately mitigated.

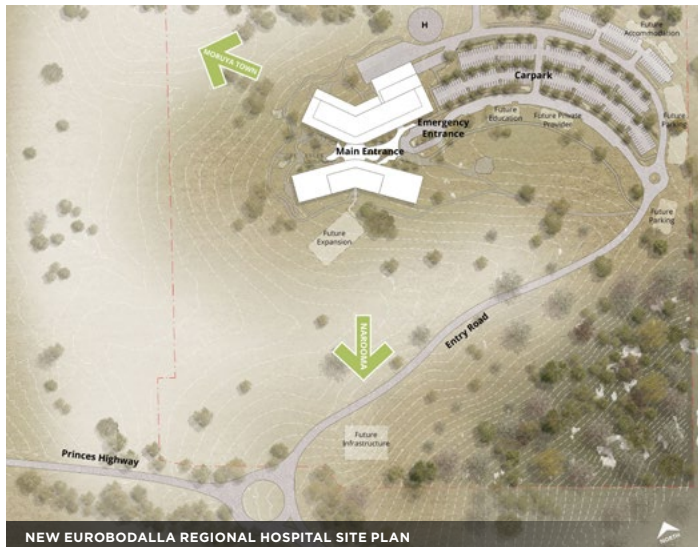
The public exhibition process is your opportunity to review detailed documentation on the planning for the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital and have your say through the formal submissions process.

To lodge feedback on the application for the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital (once published), visit planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/eurobodalla-regional-hospital.

To stay up to date on the project check our website www.eurobodallahs.health.nsw.gov.au or sign up to our newsletter by sending us an email HI-EurobodallaHospital@health.nsw.gov.au

Where will the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital be located?

The location for the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital will be in south-east Moruya, off the Princes Highway. See the map below.



Will trees be removed to make way for this new building?

It is proposed that a number of trees will be removed to accommodate the new buildings. Approval to remove these trees will be obtained as part of the project's SSDA. Part of this application includes a detailed landscape plan to plant trees, in order to offset removed trees and considers the best use of outdoor space for the new hospital.

Are you consulting with local Aboriginal people?

The new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital is a pilot project for the NSW Government Architect's Connecting with Country Framework that will ensure Aboriginal consultation through the delivery and operation of the new hospital. Aboriginal consultation has already influenced the design of the new hospital; for example, the maternity unit will be located on the lower ground floor with a courtyard and direct access to outdoors to accommodate the importance of birthing on Country.

What is Connecting with Country?

The Government Architect's Connecting with Country Framework is a framework for developing connections with Country that can inform planning, design, and delivery of built environment projects in NSW.

How will safety, noise and dust be managed during the works on site?

The health and safety of hospital staff and the community is our highest priority. All work is being completed in accordance with SafeWork NSW regulations and Australian Standards. Noise and dust control measures will be implemented to meet the project's planning approval requirements.

We are committed to minimising disruption to the local community and all our neighbours during construction and maintaining the safety of all those who engage with our site is our number one priority. We recognise that construction work has the potential to affect our neighbours and the local community. We will continue to consult with the community as the project progresses to reduce the impact of construction on our neighbours.

Will my feedback be considered in the design?

Yes. The feedback and suggestions from the staff and local community is key to ensuring the new hospital meets the unique health care needs of the Eurobodalla community. Healthcare practitioners, staff, consumers, and the Eurobodalla community, including our local Aboriginal community, have been involved in the design and planning for the new hospital and consultation is ongoing. The project team will consider all suggestions and incorporate them into the design where possible.

Will the hospital be a level 4 hospital?

The Eurobodalla Regional Hospital will be built as a Level 4 health facility. The project will help meet the needs of the region's growing population and is being delivered with future demand in mind, providing health services designed to adapt to expected growth. The new development will be supported by a workforce plan to train, recruit and retain staff to meet the future growth of Eurobodalla Regional Hospital. The new hospital will require time to transition and develop the workforce to align with the new contemporary models of care, the new facility, technology and ways of working.

How can I get in touch with the project team?

The project team welcomes all feedback, suggestions, or comments from the community. Send us an email: HI-EurobodallaHospital@health.nsw.gov.au or you can call us on **1300 391 949**. To keep up to date on the new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital please visit our website www.eurobodallahs.health.nsw.gov.au

How do we find out more information?

The [new Eurobodalla Regional Hospital website](http://www.eurobodallahs.health.nsw.gov.au) will continue to have up-to-date information about the project. You can also continue to contact us via our [project email](mailto:HI-EurobodallaHospital@health.nsw.gov.au).

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