

Sunshine Coast Airport Expansion Project



Project Update

Beach Access 111, Marcoola dune and dredging activities

Council's Sunshine Coast Airport Expansion Project will deliver a new runway compliant with regulatory standards, a half-length parallel taxiway, expanded apron, perimeter road and flood mitigation works.

Site preparations to lay the foundations for the new runway are underway.

From mid-year, Dredging International vessel The Nile River will dredge around 1.5 million cubic meters of sand from the Spitfire Realignment Channel in Moreton Bay.

After making its way north, the sand will then be pumped from the vessel moored off Marcoola onto the project site via a pipeline that will run underneath David Low Way.

May has seen the temporary closure of Beach Access No. 111 ahead of the construction of the dredge pipeline.

The dune immediately beside the beach access has been cleared and will be restored and re-vegetated at the completion of dredging.

This will be done by the end of October 2018 before the start of the next turtle nesting season.

Timing

- **Early May 2018**
 - Beach Access 111 closed (all other beach access points will remain open)
 - Pipeline bored under David Low Way
 - Traffic control in place along David Low Way to allow for road and pedestrian safety
- **May to early June 2018**
 - Dredge pipeline assembly
 - Traffic control remains in place
- **Late June 2018**
 - Dredge arrives off Marcoola

- **Beginning July 2018**
 - Dredging commences
- **July to October 2018**
 - Dredging activities to be complete and all materials off the beach before 31 October.

Marcoola Beach will remain open

A sand bridge will be built over the pipeline to ensure Surf Life Saving vehicles and beach goers have appropriate access around the pipeline. Beachgoers can use Beach Access 110 and 112, or any other access along the beach, while 111 is closed.

Dredging Fast facts

- Approximately three months duration
- Pipeline will be constructed above the high tide mark
- 700m length (900mm in diameter) of submerged pipeline
- 1.5 million cubic metres of sand will be dredged from Moreton Bay and pumped onsite via a pipeline that will run under David Low Way
- All activities will be completed outside of turtle nesting season.

Would you like direct updates?

Please send your contact details to email info@SCAexpansion.com.au to join our stakeholder database. Email alerts will be issued to notify members of project news and updates.

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Further information

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Figure 2- Dredging location and transport route

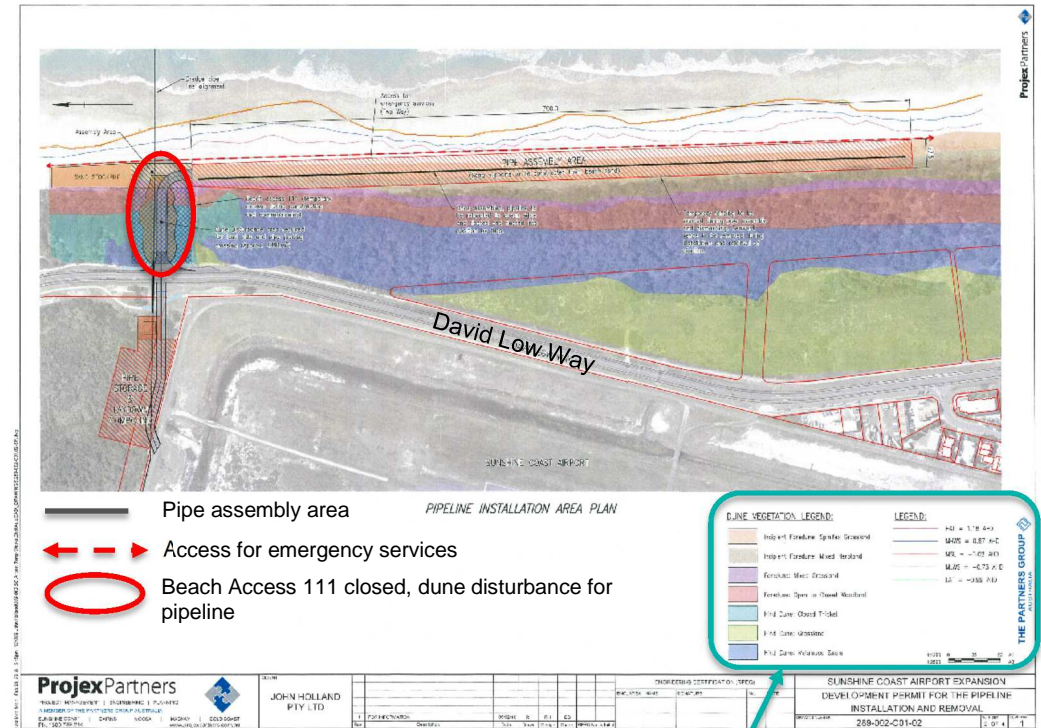


Figure 1-Pipeline installation area plan

