

## Renmark Paringa Council

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## A Riverfront Wharf for Everyone

The Renmark Riverfront Wharf is set to undergo a transformative upgrade with exciting improvements planned to enhance the amenity and liveability of Renmark Paringa.

Recent engineering assessments have indicated that significant damage has occurred to the wharf by river vessels and as a result it requires repair to ensure ongoing structural integrity.

The works will reinstate ageing and flood damaged infrastructure and will be built with three metre wide walkways, accessible ramps and sufficient lighting making it inclusive and user friendly.

The new wharf will be flood resilient, meaning that once waters recede after a flood or high river event, it will require minimal remediation work before it can be reopened to the public.

Contractors Ecospec will be onsite from Monday 5 February with construction expected to finish by October 2024. During this time, the Riverfront between the Visitor Information Centre and the Taylor Riverfront Precinct will be closed to the public. Whilst we appreciate this closure will impact riverfront users, the closure is necessary to ensure that public safety is maintained at all times.

The footpaths along Murray Avenue will remain open during the riverfront closure which will offer an alternate but continuous riverfront walkway for pedestrians whilst construction is taking place.

## Mayor Peter Hunter said:

'The Renmark Riverfront is one of our best assets and we are excited considering the long term benefits the new wharf will bring for our residents, visitors and local businesses. The new wharf will not only protect our community assets and infrastructure but will support high quality visitor experiences such as river based activities, houseboats and water events.'

'Once complete, the Renmark Riverfront Wharf will offer improved safety for riverfront users and the public through well designed walkways and retaining walls, making it inclusive and accessible to everyone."

Events usually held on the Riverfront are being explored at alternate locations and any event enquiries can be directed to Council's Events Team on 1300 661 704.

Further information on the project can be found on the project webpage <a href="https://www.renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/services/major-projects/renmark-riverfront-wharf-upgrade">https://www.renmarkparinga.sa.gov.au/services/major-projects/renmark-riverfront-wharf-upgrade</a>

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