

Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication Project Update October 2020

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Project design finalised

The design for the Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication Project has now been finalised. The design can be viewed at the next Community Information Sessions on 28 and 29 October 2020 (*see back page for more details*) and on the PW2PA Alliance website thereafter.

Meet the experts

Commencing November 2020, the PW2PA Alliance will be hosting forums for local community members every second month to meet with representatives from the Environment, Structural Engineering, Design, Safety, Construction and Community Engagement teams.

Different project topics will feature at each session and allow the opportunity to ask questions and provide the Alliance with feedback on a regular basis.

To find out more and register your interest in attending these forums visit the PW2PA Alliance website.

Community app



The PW2PA Alliance is trialling for the second time in Australia, the use of the Site Podium app for the Joy Baluch AM Bridge Project.

The app is now live and is available free of charge by downloading Site Podium from the App Store or Google Play to your smart phone or tablet. You can visit the PW2PA Alliance website for details on how to download it.

The app presents the information in a social media feed style, allowing photos and information to be shared quickly. It provides easy, on-the-go access to real time project updates, news stories and advance notice of traffic restrictions for motorists travelling in the region. You can also use the app to make enquiries and provide feedback.

Stay up-to-date and download the app today.

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Construction update

The PW2PA Alliance site office has been established on the Port Augusta Eastside Foreshore, between Tassie Street and Yuda Street. It comprises transportable office huts, a small amenities block and car parking for project staff. The project team is progressively moving to site.

The perimeter fence is currently under construction. Local schools will be invited to participate in a community art project in Term 4 and chosen artworks will be transferred onto fencing panels where they will be most visible to the local community and visitors to Port Augusta. Further information and photos will be published on the PW2PA Alliance website and community app as the project progresses.

A smaller site compound is also being established on the Westside Foreshore adjacent to On the Run (OTR).

Vegetation has been cleared and the first crane pad is being constructed on the Westside Foreshore.

Upcoming works

From late October 2020, bridge piling works will be undertaken on the Westside Foreshore and construction will begin on the second crane pad on the Eastside Foreshore.

The cranes required to construct the duplicate bridge are expected to be brought onsite from late 2020.

One lane of traffic will remain open in both directions on the existing bridge, throughout the construction works. Speed and other traffic restrictions will be in place and signage will be prominently located to alert road users to changed conditions.



PW2PA site office under construction September 2020



Aerial view of Joy Baluch AM Bridge September 2020

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Supporting local businesses

The PW2PA Alliance proudly supports local businesses in Port Augusta and actively seeks opportunities to promote them to our employees, residents and visitors to the region. We will build strong working relationships with local businesses and minimise construction and traffic impacts as much as practically possible. During the project, we will be working with local businesses to encourage people to “Support a Local” through targeted campaigns and communications.

Online local business directory

We are developing an online business directory where residents, holiday makers and other travellers to Port Augusta can find out more about local businesses, including services offered and hours of operation. Businesses will also be able to advertise special offers or events. The directory will be accessible on the PW2PA Alliance website and promoted via the Site Podium app.

If you are a local business and would like to be part of the directory, please visit the website or email: enquiries@pw2pa.com.au or phone: 1300 161 407.

Break your drive – Support a local

As the weather warms up and Christmas holidays approach, many South Australians will take the opportunity to travel to the wonderful destinations our state has to offer.

Port Augusta has a number of attractions which are enjoyed by visitors to the city as well as residents. Fishing, sailing and canoeing are popular and dolphins are often seen out in the water.

The city’s art galleries are enjoyed by many and the parks and gardens offer a beautiful place to relax.

Local businesses are able to provide many of the services of a larger city, from your daily needs, fuel and commercial supplies, to great dining and unique holiday experiences; you’ll find it all.

It’s been a challenging year for regional South Australia so there’s never been a better time to show your support.

The PW2PA Alliance encourages travellers to **Break the Drive and Support a Local** by visiting Port Augusta.



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Feedback from the first Community Information Session in Port Augusta

On Thursday, 30 July 2020, the PW2PA Alliance held its first Community Information Session for the Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication Project. More than 50 people came along to the Institute Theatre in Port Augusta.

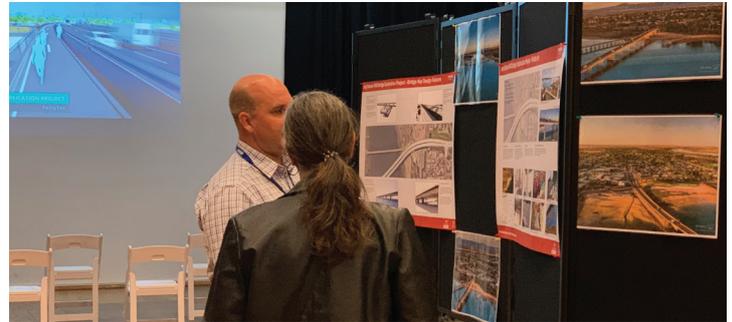
Feedback was very positive, with many people commenting that the project was “long overdue” and agreed that the duplication of the bridge would deliver significant safety improvements for pedestrians and improve traffic flow across the bridge.

Attendees were pleased to know the existing bridge would remain open to traffic while the new bridge was being constructed. There was interest in public and Aboriginal art and opportunities for local businesses to benefit from the project. The majority of attendees enjoyed the information stations and expressed interest in attending future events.

For more information about the feedback received, visit the PW2PA Alliance website.

Community hub now open

The community hub is now open at **45 Commercial Road, Port Augusta**. The hub is staffed by PW2PA Alliance team members and provides a focal point for members of the Port Augusta community to find out more information about the Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication Project, to view plans and artist impressions and collect fact sheets. The hub is conveniently located in the town centre. For opening hours, visit the PW2PA Alliance website.



Community Information Session July 2020

Upcoming Community Information Sessions

The PW2PA Alliance is holding two Community Information Sessions at Port Augusta as detailed below:

Where and when:

- Institute Theatre, 52 Commercial Road, Port Augusta on Wednesday, 28 October 2020 from 3pm – 6pm.
- and*
- Bungala Aboriginal Corporation, 1-3 Young Street, Port Augusta on Thursday, 29 October 2020 from 11am – 1pm.

The sessions will feature plans and artist impressions of the final Joy Baluch AM Bridge Duplication project design. Please come along to meet members of the PW2PA project team, see the final design, find out about the construction program, ask questions and provide your feedback. All members of the public are welcome. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to attend.

To ensure COVID-19 physical distancing requirements are met, attendees must register prior to attending the Information Sessions by emailing: enquiries@pw2pa.com.au or calling: 1300 161 407.

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