Empire Bay Marina and Boatshed



Project Update - June 2021

Project facts

Crown Lands has taken over the care, control and management of the Empire Bay Marina following the cancellation of a private operator's licence due to significant and ongoing breaches.

We are committed to:

- Keeping the public safe by restricting access to the site due to structural defects.
- Undertaking a contamination investigation and remediating the site if required.
- Keeping the public informed about future plans for the site.

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Project update

The contamination investigation of the site is ongoing.

Additional testing has been completed, and a contamination assessment report will be finalised shortly.

Crown Lands will then consider contamination findings and any remediation requirements.

A floating silt curtain has been installed around the site to minimise sediment, debris and other pollutants entering the waterway.

All moored vessels have left the site, and mooring is now prohibited.

Background

On 8 September 2020, Crown Lands revoked the Empire Bay Marina operator's licence due to significant and ongoing breaches of the licence conditions, and the licence holder's failure to rectify the issues.

Crown Lands has since taken control of the site.

Due to structural defects and other issues, the jetties, walkways and buildings are unsafe. The boat shed poses a safety risk to the public and the site has been fenced off, with access restricted.

Due to the site's history as a commercial marina, with associated slipway and fuel storage, there is the potential for contamination. Crown Lands has engaged a consultant to investigate the site and determine remediation actions that may be required.

Consultation

Further consultation will occur as the project progress.

Updates will be provided periodically and published on the project website:

https://www.industry.nsw.gov.au/lands/public/notifications /empire-bay-marina

