

# Kennedy Point Ferry Terminal Ramp Extension & Wharf Reconstruction

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## Kennedy Point Wharf works update... #5

Despite a couple of early setbacks and poor weather in late spring which threatened to derail the established programme, Auckland Transport and HEB Construction **have now completed the Stage 1 works**.

The final sprint wasn't without its issues though as spring tide levels meant that the wait to work at low tide level could be excruciating – although there was plenty to keep the site team occupied on the upper ramp section, reinstating the shoreline rock armour, disestablishing some of the equipment used earlier in the works and general site clean-up.

With the better weather in recent weeks, HEB Construction managed to re-capture the time lost in the early stages of the works and have completed the western ramp works two weeks ahead of schedule - in time for the end of the school term and ahead of the busiest weeks of the year for our friends at Sealink.



*Before - The original western ramp*



*After – the new western ramp*





The 'Review & Rethink' approach we have applied throughout the Stage 1 works has afforded us the ability to realise a number of time, cost and quality benefits and to improve both the lifespan of the ramp whilst also reducing its construction and long-term environmental impacts.

By retaining some of the cofferdam sheet piles and trimming them to a low level this has enabled us to eliminate the environmental risk associated with their removal and has created a settlement pond to help capture any residual silt run-off from the shore-based works by allowing it to settle between high tide phases.

This also gives the structure a significant boost to its 50-year life span and offers greater protection against marine scour and chloride ingress into the concrete ramp itself (Ed. Sorry, boring engineering-y bit!).

### Thanks to all our project partners...

I would be remiss if I didn't acknowledge the help, support and guidance of the entire team who have worked hard to deliver this and the upcoming stages of works for the Kennedy Point terminal.

It is no exaggeration that without the input of everyone concerned it is next to impossible to complete such projects. Most worked behind the scenes from the very early stages of planning in 2015 and most never get to go out on site to where the fun stuff really happens.

A huge **Thank you!** to everyone at Auckland Transport, Auckland Council, Ngāti Paoa, Tonkin & Taylor, GHD, HEB Construction, Maria our on-site STMS, McCallum Bros., Sealink, the Waiheke Local Board, Waiheke Police, Ready-mix Waiheke, Ollie and his coffee cart, Waiheke residents and each and every local supplier who played their part.

Stage 2, the reconstruction of the main wharf structure, is just around the corner and will be starting in March 2019.

### Health & Safety Corner...

With the Stage 1 works now complete and the Christmas and summer holidays upon us, this final Safety Corner is dedicated to keeping ourselves and our families safe over the coming months.

- 1) It goes without saying that drinking and driving risks your own and everyone else's life on the road – just don't do it.
- 2) Take your time and reduce your speed... as the signs on Waiheke Island say, "**Slow Down, you're here**"
- 3) AT will continue operating bus, rail and ferry services over the festive season with special timetables and services planned for the Christmas and New Year period. Take the hassle out of getting around the Auckland region for your celebrations. (This also takes care of No.1 and 2)
- 4) Think about the gifts you give this year... consider more environmentally friendly gifts, think about your wrapping paper come Boxing Day and how you dispose of both it and your old Christmas tree in the New Year.

**Re-use, re-cycle or even re-gift. Each one of us can help play a huge role in reducing our waste levels.**



**A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from everyone at Auckland Transport and HEB Construction**



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