



Media Release

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Upgrade to Angels Beach Drive, Stage One Complete

Ballina Shire Council is partway through a major upgrade to Angels Beach Drive and is pleased to advise that Stage One of the project is due to be completed Monday 9 May.

Stage One included a curve correction on Angels Beach Drive adjacent to Chickiba Lake and rehabilitation of the road east of the curve all the way to Silver Gull Drive.

Angels Beach Drive, east of Links Avenue, will be re-opened once Stage One is complete.

Following completion of Stage One, works will commence on Stage Two from Tuesday 10 May 2016. Works will include curve correction to Angels Beach Drive north-east of Prospect Bridge.

For the works to be completed in the most efficient and safest way, Angels Beach Drive will be closed to motorists from Bangalow Road to Links Avenue. Access will remain open to pedestrians and cyclists only. Weather permitting, it is expected that Stage Two works will continue until the end of June 2016.

Alternate routes during Stage 2 (see map 1):

- For traffic to and from Lennox Head use The Coast Road.
- North Angels Estate and Silver Gull Drive Estate motorists use The Coast Road.
- East Ballina (Lakeside) motorists heading towards Ballina Island can access The Coast Road via the Manly Street intersection.
- East Ballina motorists heading towards Lennox Head can use Angels Beach Drive.

Following the completion of Stage Two, Council will construct a roundabout at the intersection of Links Avenue and Angels Beach Drive. This is likely to start in the first quarter of the new financial year, following the anticipated approval from the NSW Government regarding an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP).

The Roads and Maritime Service (RMS) has identified Angels Beach Drive as a black spot and has allocated \$2 million to the upgrade.

Council wishes to thank the community for their patience during these construction works. Entire sections of Angels Beach Drive have been closed to allow construction works to be completed sooner, without the disruption of traffic control. A reduced construction period also means cost savings to Council and the community. Cost savings will also be made in not having to install traffic control devices and personnel. Closing the entire section also makes the construction safer for construction crews as they will not be impeded by vehicles and it also means improved safety for motorists as they will avoid the construction zones.



Map 1: Alternate Routes – Stage 2

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Map 2: Angels Beach Upgrade Stages 1 - 3