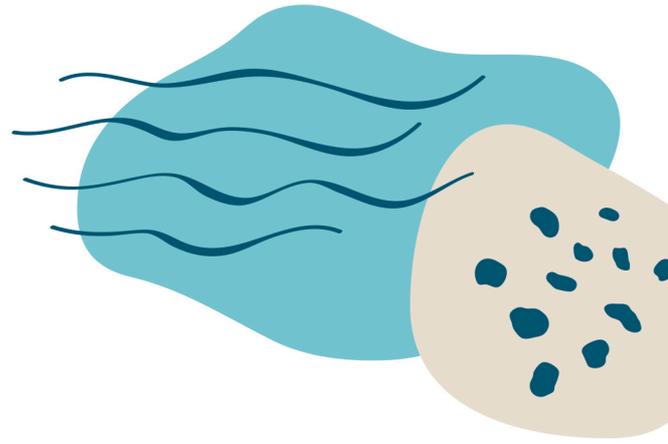


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## IMPROVED ACCESS, SAFETY FOR PRITCHARDS LANDING

Pritchards Landing on the Glenelg River at Nelson will have a new pontoon-based jetty created by Glenelg Hopkins CMA to support recreational fishing access after the Victorian Fisheries Authority announced its 2020-2021 Large Grants Program recipients last week.

The new jetty will replace an existing small and failing fixed treated pine jetty, and will be all abilities accessible, give greater tie-off area for boats, improve access for anglers using the jetty and will be adaptive to changes in river height associated with estuary entrance closures and changes in sea-level.

Modular construction will result in the jetty extending 1.5m further into the river providing greater depth during low tide

The proposed pontoon jetty will maintain the “L” shaped configuration of the existing jetty. The pontoons will slide up and down two plastic coated steel piles designed to hold the structure in position. These piles will be placed within the footprint of the existing structure to avoid disturbance of environmental and cultural heritage values.

“The Glenelg River is one of Victoria’s premier fishing and recreation destinations. Upgrading all-abilities access to the river will allow more people to enjoy the recreational values of this beautiful waterway. It is a great project to undertake,” Glenelg Hopkins Executive Manager Waterways, Chris Solum, said.

“Whether you are dropping a line from the jetty or exploring the river in a boat or canoe, you are going to get a better and safer experience with this new structure.”

Glenelg Hopkins CMA will begin the work on Pritchards Landing in coming months. The project will be completed in cooperation with Parks Victoria.

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***Caption:*** The existing aged jetty at Pritchards Landing on the Glenelg River will be replaced by a larger floating pontoon structure after Glenelg Hopkins CMA received funding for the project through the Victorian Fisheries Authority.

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