

# Terminal Precinct Expansion

## »» Project Overview

**Ballina Byron Gateway Airport  
infrastructure upgrades**



### »» What will be happening?

The BBGA Terminal Precinct Expansion Project (TPEP) is one of the biggest projects undertaken since the current terminal building was opened in 1995 and will see the Departure Lounge triple its capacity to cater for future growth.

The Terminal Precinct Expansion Project

- Includes some \$5.4m in total upgrades
- Will see the Departure Lounge triple in size with seating for some 400 passengers and visitors
- Includes construction of a new Café and Sports Bar and three new retail outlets
- Includes construction of a new parking area for shuttle buses and taxi operators and
- Will see construction of a new set down/pick up area, a new entrance road and significant landscaping works

The project is made up of two major components – the extension of the terminal building and the redevelopment of the existing car parking area.

Construction of the terminal extension will initially be contained externally and be connected to the existing terminal late in November 2017.

### »» Why is this work necessary?

The existing Departure Lounge is regularly overcrowded with insufficient seating, passenger facilities and retail outlets.

Passenger comfort and expectations are not being met. The terminal building requires urgent upgrading works and capacity so we can offer our passengers and visitors a better customer experience and support our airline partners to grow their businesses. These improvements will benefit the local tourism industry, our regional economy and the local community.

### When will the project commence?

The Design and Documentation process has commenced and is due for completion by March 2017. The construction phase will commence in June/July 2017.

### »» Why is the work getting done at this time?

We are looking for favourable weather conditions and minimal impact on our passengers and visitors, our airline partners and the on-site airport staff.

### »» When will it be completed?

The expected completion date for the Terminal Precinct Expansion Project is early 2018, subject to favourable weather conditions and airport operational constraints.

### »» Will airport users be impacted?

Airport users will see major construction works being undertaken on the southern face of the existing terminal building with some impact on the short-stay car park.

The existing set down and pick up area will be relocated as will the bus parking area, the taxi rank and the limousine parking area.

We would ask all passengers and visitors for their continued support and understanding through this construction phase and would appreciate your ongoing patience while we expand and upgrade our facilities.

### »» Who will be funding the project?

The project received \$4.5 million in funding under the NSW Government's Restart NSW Regional Tourism Infrastructure Program, and \$900,000 in loan funding from Ballina Shire Council.

### Who is completing the works?

The works are being managed by BBGA and STEA Astute Architects.

## »» *How many people will the project employ?*

The project has a number of stages throughout the terminal expansion and the car park improvements. It is projected that at the peak of the works some 50 people could be on-site at any one time.

## »» *Will there be more traffic accessing the airport?*

The construction site will be located at the eastern end of the terminal building and in front of the terminal building in the short-stay car park.

These areas will be enclosed by security fencing (with restricted access) to maintain public safety and continued airport operations. We are hoping to minimize the impact of construction on our ongoing operations.

## »» *Will there be any restrictions on airline operations?*

There will be a minimal impact on RPT services throughout the period of the TPEP. The work will be undertaken in several stages to ensure minimal disruption and inconvenience to the airline schedules.

## »» *Will there be any changes to the airport entrance road and the main carpark?*

A separate project will be undertaken simultaneously with the TPEP. This project will involve construction of a new entrance road including a roundabout, a new car park management system with boom gates and additional shade structures for the existing car parks. It is envisaged that the road network system and entrance road will involve a number of changes to the location and the direction of traffic flow on airport. This will be managed on-site throughout the project.



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