

Media release

Neville Bonner Bridge now spans a third of the river

The pedestrian bridge providing a direct connection between Brisbane's cultural precinct and its newest entertainment heart is now more than 120-metres in length.

The fifth deck section of this important pedestrian river crossing was recently installed at the South Bank end with it now reaching towards the centre of the river and the CBD.

Destination Brisbane Consortium Project Director Simon Crooks said the new bridge would not only provide a vital pedestrian crossing but also an iconic structure that will enhance Brisbane's cityscape.

"We are expecting around 10,000 people a day to cross the river via the Neville Bonner Bridge when it opens with the Queen's Wharf Brisbane integrated resort in 2023," Mr Crooks said.

"It will create a magnificent river structure that will tower 75-metres above the river, similar in height to the Story Bridge.

"Building this asset, which will be owned by the State of Queensland, is a complex process that our contractor is very familiar with.

"Fitzgerald Construction carefully and safely installed the fifth deck section at South Bank and there's now around 120-metres of the deck in place. Thirteen deck sections in total will make up the 322-metre bridge span.

"The bridge is a complex structure that requires careful consideration of loading capacities, wind, flood, and movement impacts.

"We still have some way to go but we expect it to be at the mid-river pier (pile cap) around the end-of-year."

The most recent deck section Fitzgerald Constructions lifted is 23-metres long and was fitted into place at the South Bank side, with one installed over the Riverside Expressway in June connecting to the integrated resort development.

"Each lift is a methodological process where nothing is taken for granted and safety is the highest priority," Mr Crooks said.

"We are proud to be building what will be an admired asset for Brisbane.

"The 60-tonne deck section that was just lifted into place was floated down the river after having the pre-cast concrete slabs fitted, reducing the amount of lifting required at site.

"In excess of 1,000-tonnes of complex fabricated structural steel is required for to build this cable stay and suspension bridge.

“We will use around 800-tonnes of steel temporarily just to secure and construct the bridge and a number of large river barges.”

For more information on Queen’s wharf visit www.queenswharfbrisbane.com.au

For timelapse footage of the recent lift, animation of the bridge construction, renders and other media assets - https://www.dropbox.com/sh/lx5rmk14a0bwmg8/AACG3hU_f1mDXUmbZZj63XGta?dl=0

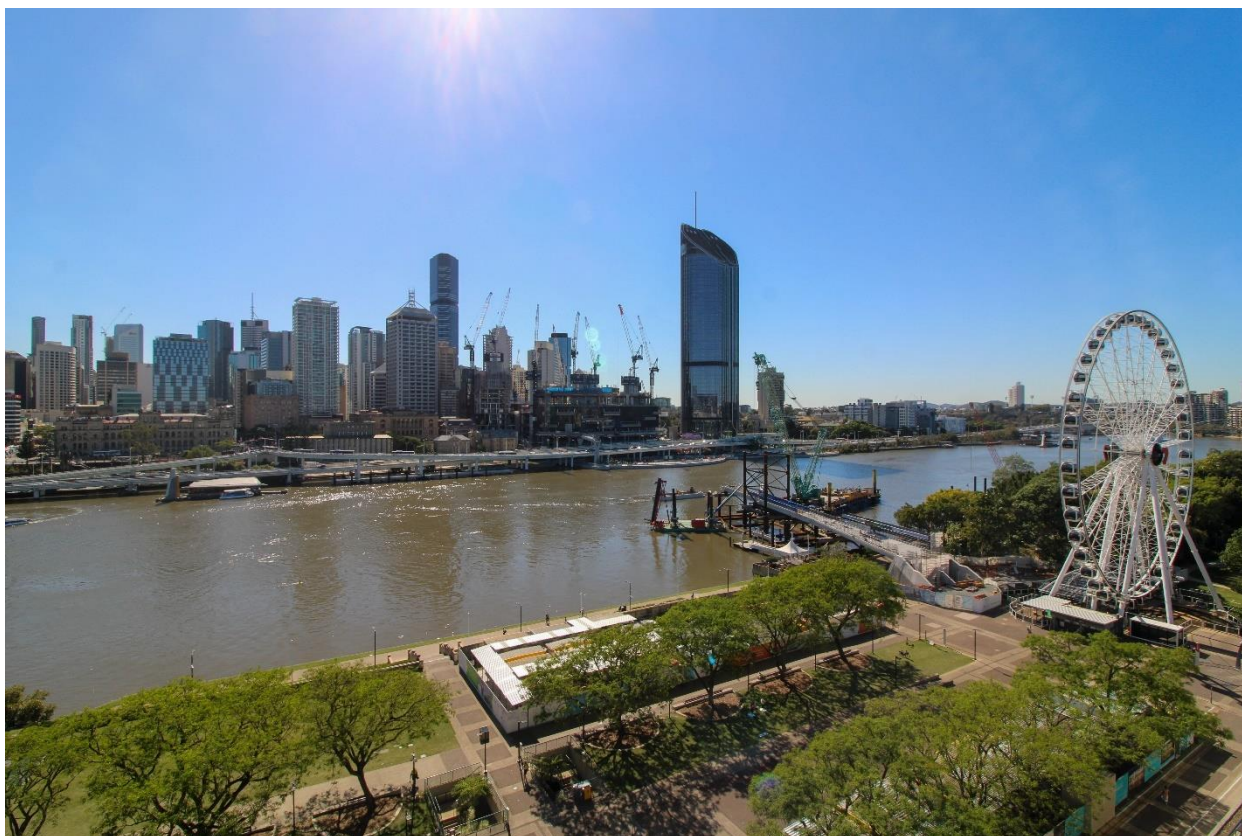


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