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Replacing stairs at popular Jan Juc surf breaks

Works will commence on a replacement of the stairs at popular surf access point, Steps and Boobs at Jan Juc. Works will be funded by the Great Ocean Road Coast Committee capital works program and a \$60,000 grant from Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) Coastal Environments Grant Program.

Ken Northwood, Chairman of the Great Ocean Road Coast Committee said the organisation had gone to public tender for the important upgrade with works targeted to begin as soon as possible, depending on weather and contractor availability.

“Steps is obviously an icon of the surf coast and leads the way to three popular surf breaks,” said Mr Northwood. “Current engineering advice is that while the current structure is safe to remain open, a replacement needs to be prioritised, which we have done.”

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The replacement

The current stairway will be replaced with a non-slip fibre reinforced structure that will be safer and designed to meet the predicted impacts of climate change. Upgrades to drainage will also be completed to help prevent erosion.

There is ongoing, regular monitoring of the stairs and structure.

Mr Northwood said Great Ocean Road Coast would continue to provide clear communications to surfers using the access.

“There will be no access via the stairs at this location during construction, however we will aim to open the access during weekends wherever possible. We appreciate everyone’s patience while we undertake this critical infrastructure work that is planned to be completed as swiftly as possibly to minimise inconvenience over peak season.”

Regular updates will be provided on-site and on the Great Ocean Road Coast Committee website: www.gorcc.com.au.

The Great Ocean Road Coast Committee is a State Government Agency responsible for protecting, enhancing, and developing coastal Crown land from Point Impossible to Cumberland River. All funds raised through our commercial endeavours are reinvested back into the coast.

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