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FORESHORE IMPROVEMENT BEGINS AT BONNELLS BAY

Work has begun to remove the build up of sediments and partly decomposed organic ooze along the foreshore of Bonnells Bay, improving the area for residents and Lake users.

Sediment and organic material will be removed along the foreshore of Pendlebury Park, extending approximately 10 – 15 metres offshore.

The removal of organic sediments will be carried out using a long reach excavator, with approximately 270 cubic metres of material being placed into sealed trucks and transported to Stockyard Quarry. At the quarry, the material will undergo sorting and treatment, before being used for rehabilitation purposes.

The project forms part of the Lake Improvement Works undertaken by The Office of the Lake Macquarie & Catchment Coordinator.

Lake Macquarie and Catchment Coordinator Jeff Jansson urged residents to be patient while the work is being carried out as access to the boat ramp and foreshore will be temporarily restricted.

“The works will remove the black organic ooze situated just in front of the foreshore, which can be dangerous for lake users, especially small children, and can be generally unpleasant for other users of the foreshore reserve,” Jeff Jansson said.

It is anticipated that the project will be completed in March.

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