

Gladys Berejiklian Premier of NSW

Rob Stokes Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

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NEW FISH MARKETS A STEP CLOSER

Visitor numbers to the new Sydney Fish Market are set to more than double to over five million a year, cementing the markets as one of Australia's leading tourist attractions, and also as a driver of job creation and reinvigoration of the Pyrmont area.

Premier Gladys Berejiklian, and Planning and Public Spaces Minister Rob Stokes, today announced Government approval of a \$750 million investment in the project.

"One in five international tourists to Sydney visit the existing Fish Markets and it's the second-most visited attraction in Sydney behind the Opera House," Ms Berejiklian said.

"In addition to the clear benefits for Pyrmont, the new market will be a boon for regional communities as a showcase for the very best seafood from along the NSW coast."

The building was designed by Danish architects 3XN, in association with Sydney based BVN and Aspect Studios to meet the unique needs of market operations, and represents a substantial step beyond an indicative concept launched in 2016.

The building will have a 6-star green star rating, including advanced water efficiency to cut use of the precious resource by half, and solar electricity generation.

Mr Stokes said the project will include public promenades, a ferry wharf and more than 30,000 square metres of new public open space across the precinct for the community.

"Relocating the fish market to the head of Blackwattle Bay will improve pedestrian and cycling links and connect more of Glebe and Pyrmont to the water as part of the long-awaited revitalisation of the area," Mr Stokes said.

Two State Significant Development Applications, one for the demolition of the existing wharves and site preparation, the other for main works including the construction of the new fish market facility, will soon be placed on public exhibition.

A two-stage procurement process for demolition and construction will also commence shortly. Subject to planning approval and award of a contract, early works will begin in late-2020 and the new Sydney Fish Market will open for operations in 2024. Master-planning for the current fish market site will be subject to community consultation which will commence once the Greater Sydney Commission's Pyrmont Planning Review is complete.

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