

TasRail's Shiploader Project

Frequently Asked Questions



1. Is the new Shiploader being constructed in Tasmania?

Yes, the new Shiploader is being designed and constructed in Tasmania and it's estimated to support around 140 jobs during the project. There are multiple Tasmanian subcontractors also providing their services to the project.

2. Who will operate new Shiploader?

TasRail will own and operate the new Shiploader (as it does with the current unit).

3. What type of products will the new Shiploader handle?

TasRail has a number of customer contracts with the mining industry and can load mineral concentrates such as zinc and copper and dry bulk commodities including iron ore.

4. Will the new Shiploader operate differently to the current unit?

In addition to the contemporary safety and environmental standards, the new Shiploader will have an average load speed of about 2000 tonnes per hour – approximately double the current unit.

5. What size ships will the new Shiploader be able to load?

The new Shiploader will have the height and reach to load Panamax Class vessels (subject to ships draught and berth depth).

6. When will the new Shiploader be installed?

The plan is to commission the new Shiploader in mid-2023.

7. Have you started building the new Shiploader yet?

Fabrication started in April 2022.

8. Who do I contact to find out more information about the project?

Specific project inquiries can be directed to shiploader@tasrail.com.au