



Construction in Full Swing

Convention Centre Pad Near Completion

Around 75% of the landfill for the pad upon which the Darwin Convention and Exhibition Centre will be built is in place, with armour rock also being installed to protect the pad from the erosion impacts of wave action. Pre cast concrete units are being constructed by Humes in Winnellie and will be placed alongside the armour rock in the coming weeks.

So far more than 370,000 tonnes of fill and 20,000 tonnes of armour rock have been delivered to the Darwin City Waterfront site.

The convention centre pad is expected to be complete in January 2006, ahead of construction of the building which will start in February.



The convention centre pad is taking shape – 29 Nov '05

Dredge to Move to Residential Site

Meanwhile the dredge, which is currently dredging mud from the sea bed for the sea wall, will soon move to the site of the stage one residential development. It will remove marine mud prior to earthworks fill being placed to create the residential finger wharf upon which one of the apartment blocks will be built.

The dredge has already removed more than 240,000 cubic metres of marine mud from the Waterfront site. The mud has been piped across the harbour to ponds at East Arm.



Location of the Stage 1 residential development

Sea Wall Works Get Underway

Construction work on the sea wall will commence in January after the dredge has removed the mud to a depth of up to 14 metres along the site of the wall. Contractors, working through the full range of tidal conditions, will use GPS equipment mounted on earthmoving equipment to place around 360,000 cubic metres of fill and armour rock to create the sea wall. When complete, it will be three storeys high (from the sea bed) and will be more than 70 metres wide at its base.

The sea wall will capture a permanent water body to provide for water sports year-round and will also protect the Waterfront area from storm surges. A 'sea wall walk' will allow locals and visitors to walk or jog along the top of the sea wall and enjoy enviable views and sea breezes.