

# Media Release

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## A BRIDGE CROSSING INTO BEAUTIFUL VICTORIAN FORESTS

The Thurra River Bridge and campsite is reopening this September holidays, providing access to pristine forests and campsites for fun family trips away to the great outdoors thanks to the Allan Labor Government.

Minister for the Environment Steve Dimopoulos today announced the completion of the Thurra River Bridge replacement and Thurra River campground rebuild following fire and flood damages.

The design and construction of the replacement bridge meets modern standards and accounts for the changed river course – using construction materials such as concrete and steel which will enhance the infrastructure's resilience to future bushfire and flood events.

BMD Constructions have successfully completed the rebuild, managed by the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA), in partnership with the land manager, Parks Victoria.

Located in Croajingolong National Park, the bridge provides access to walking trails, campsites and beautiful sandy beaches for visitors to enjoy all year round.

The new Thurra Bridge campground and Mueller Campground are now open for the school holidays, with toilet access and provide a good base site for walking trails across the national park.

Among the first campers will be a group evacuated from Thurra during the 2020 bushfire, who were offered the opportunity to stay at the new campground over the school holidays.

Several other nearby camping grounds are also open to the public, including Binn Beach, Gunnai Beach, Peachtree Creek Reserve, Tamboon Inlet and Wingan Inlet.

The reopening of Thura River Bridge has permitted construction and repairs to commence along Point Hicks Road.

These works are ongoing and public road access to the Point Hicks precinct and more works to help restore additional camping locations at the Thurra River Campground is expected to finish in early 2026.

For more information, visit [parks.vic.gov.au](https://parks.vic.gov.au)

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Environment Steve Dimopoulos

*"The reopening of Thurra River Bridge is a significant milestone in restoring access to some of Victoria's most pristine and remote areas so future generations can continue to enjoy the best of our great outdoors."*

*We thank East Gippsland for their patience as DEECA on behalf of Parks Victoria delivered this complex rebuild with care and caution, designed to withstand future extreme weather events."*

### Quotes attributable to Member for Eastern Victoria Tom McIntosh

*"We are welcoming visitors back to a great camping spot that offers so much to Victorian families."*

*"This rebuild delivers improved infrastructure to withstand the local environment and allow visitors to safely access some of the most beautiful locations in Gippsland."*

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