

Concrete poured for new hospital building

Hutchies are progressing extremely well with construction onsite, despite the welcome rain making building conditions challenging. In late May they poured approximately 160 cubic metres of concrete to set the ground slab for the new hospital building. This was achieved over three consecutive days with around 15 concrete agitators (trucks) involved in transporting the concrete from Quirindi.

The concrete pours involved an impressive 43 metre concrete pump and many hands were on deck to complete the pouring and setting process.

The structural steel for the building frames is now being installed, and following this the roof will be underway. We look forward to sharing progress with you over the coming months.



Photos above and below showing the concrete pours in action



Community Reference Group update

The Murrurundi Community Reference Group (CRG) is working with the project team to provide input into Arts in Health for the new hospital to improve the patient and staff experience.

It is comprised of representatives from the community, staff and project team, and has met on several occasions to develop and prioritise a list of opportunities both within the new hospital and on the hospital campus.

Some of the ideas the CRG is considering includes a landscaping feature, mural, local Country designs, historical displays, and heritage and cultural installations within the grounds. We will have more to share soon.



How is heritage being integrated into the project?

While the project team are focused on delivering your new hospital, we acknowledge that the community has a keen interest in how heritage will be integrated into the new hospital building and on the hospital grounds.

The creation of the Murrurundi Community Reference Group (CRG) was a reflection of local feedback received and similar to other projects delivered by Health Infrastructure.

The CRG is working with the project team to provide local feedback into arts and heritage integration.

A Heritage Architect has also been engaged by the project to assist with the heritage integration process and is participating in the CRG meetings.

As previously communicated, the new hospital's name will remain Murrurundi Wilson Memorial Hospital to acknowledge the historical connection with the Wilson family.



Aerial photo taken in late May, showing the concrete ground slab after the second day in the pouring process