Victorian Notice to Mariners

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PORT OF MELBOURNE
SWANSON DOCK WEST
BERTH 3 REMEDIATION WORKS

Date: **10 November 2026**

Refers: **NtM 400 (T) - 26 and is hereby cancelled**

Details: Mariners and port users are advised that **Swanson Dock berth 3 West** will not be available for commercial vessels (SOLAS) due to ongoing works until further notice.

The previously established shore side works area **chainage 600m - 993m** will be amended to **chainage 640m - 993m.**

The mooring line snap back frame is being shifted from **chainage 600m** to **chainage 640m**.

Under wharf works, including the use of staging platforms, work boats and diving operations may be conducted between **chainage 575m** and **993m.**

Bollard availability during works is as follows:

- Prior to 12 November (0659hrs), the northern most bollard available is at **chainage 593m**
- 12 November (0700hrs) - 14 November (1659hrs), the northern most bollard available is at **chainage 535m**
- 14 November (1700hrs) until further notice the northern most bollard available is at **chainage 637.5m**

Barge ***AMS Gladstone*** may be moored inside the berth pocket at chainage 640m to 705m. During hours of darkness, the barge will be lit by yellow flashing lights at its extremity and deck lights.

The following conditions will apply for **works**:

1. **When diving operations and / or under wharf works** are within **50m** of a berthed commercial vessel (SOLAS), the vessel is to be **notified by the works contractor**
2. **30 minutes** prior to a **commercial vessel (SOLAS)** passing in Swanson Dock, including the **bunker barge,** refer to conditions in attached Works Zone diagram
3. **30 minutes** prior to a **commercial vessel (SOLAS)** passing in Swanson Dock, *AMS Gladstone* crane operations to cease and crane position not to protrude into the dock
4. **No diving operations or hot works** will take place when **bunkering** is being conducted at Swanson Dock

5. Clear access for vessel, cargo, and mooring operations, both landside and waterside will be maintained south of **chainage 640 m**
6. International Code flag Alpha displayed during diving operations

Restrictions for **domestic commercial vessels** during **works**:

- ***Minimum wake and wash***
- ***Minimum passing distance of 50m***
- ***Non-essential vessels are restricted from entering Swanson Dock***

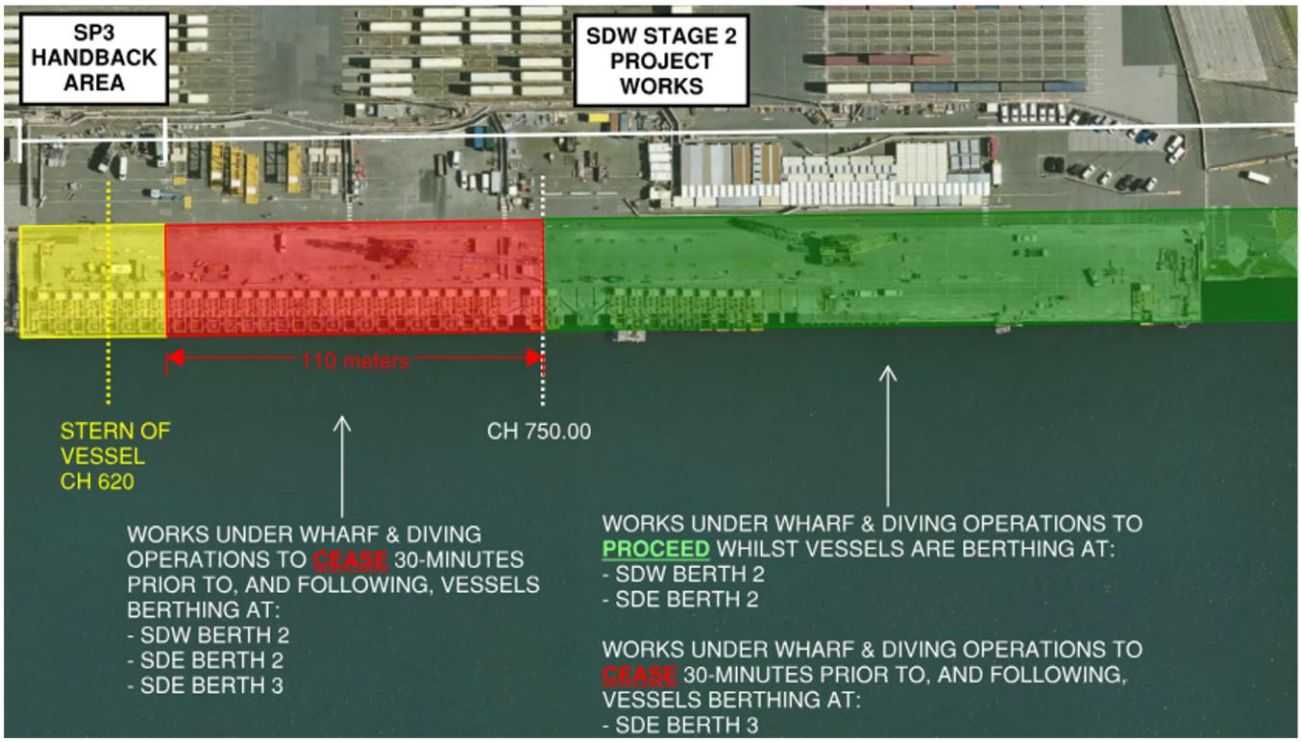
Mariners are advised to navigate with additional caution in the vicinity of Swanson Dock during works.

For further information, please email the Navigation Services department at NavigationServices@ports.vic.gov.au or contact Melbourne VTS on 9644 9700 / VHF Channel 12.

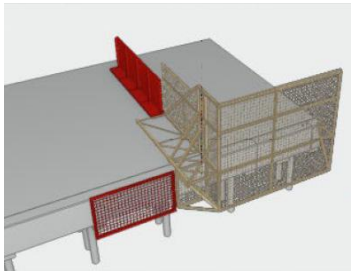
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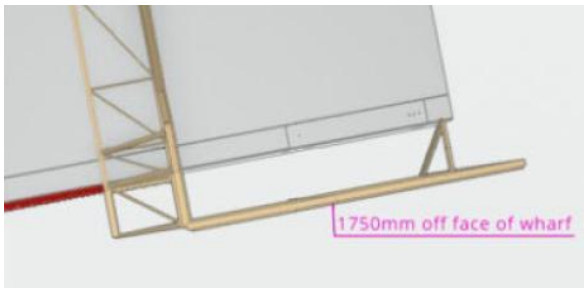
Further notice: Further notice will be issued

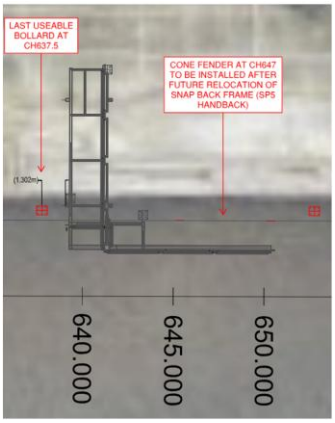
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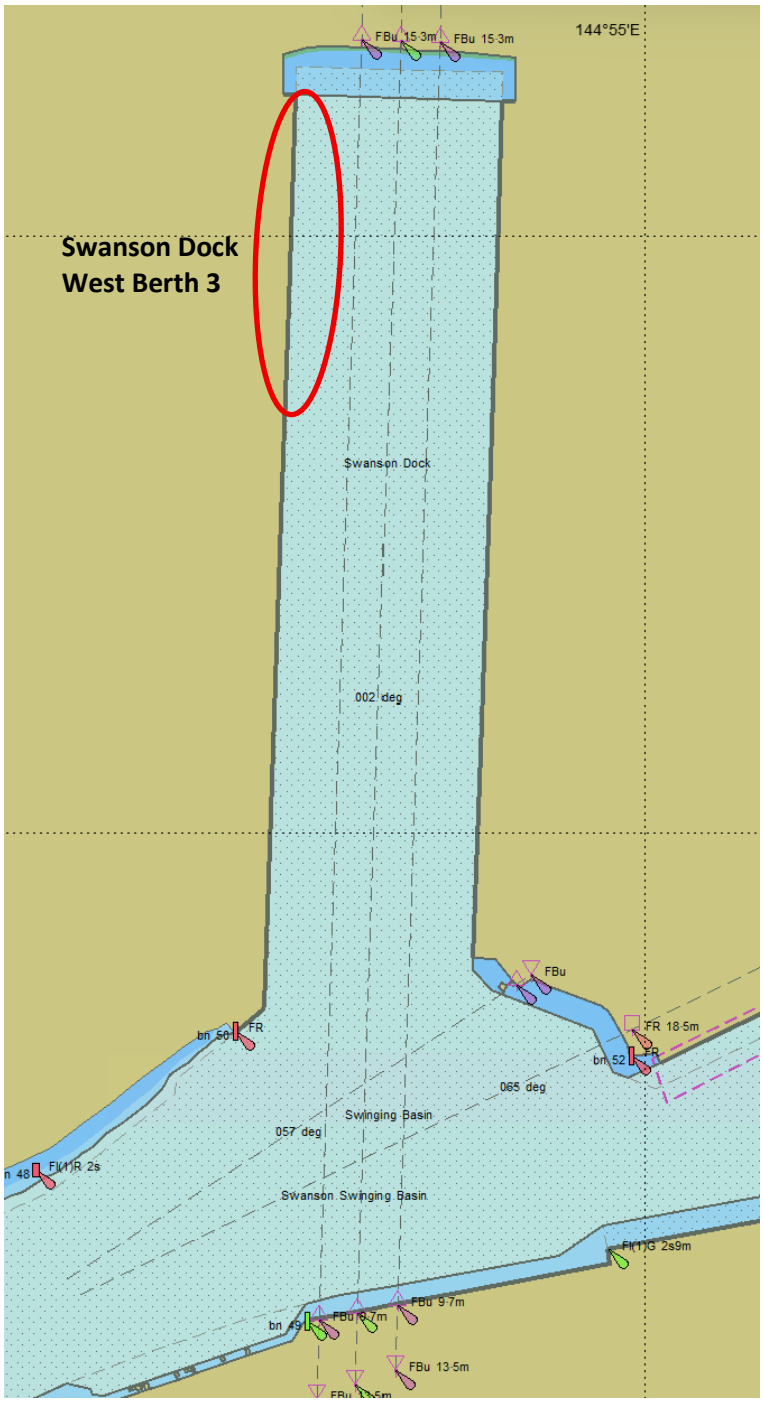
SWANSON DOCK WEST BERTH 3 - WORKS ZONE







MOORING LINE SNAP BACK FRAME



NOT FOR NAVIGATIONAL USE