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Keppel reeling in better boat ramps

There's more good news for boaties in the Keppel region, with the Palaszczuk Queensland Government calling tenders for a new boat ramp north of Yeppoon, and an upgrade to an existing ramp south-east of Rockhampton.

Member for Keppel Brittany Lauga said as part of the State Government's \$100 million investment in marine infrastructure across the state, tenders for the works at Corbetts Landing and Thompsons Point were being packaged.

"The combined projects will support an average of 11 direct jobs over the life of the projects at a time when they're most needed," Ms Lauga said.

"Together with major investments like the Rockhampton Northern Access Upgrade, we're committed to keeping Queensland moving and investing in the community during this difficult period."

Thompson Point is on the Fitzroy River, 36km south-east of Rockhampton, and set to receive a new, two-lane, boat ramp and floating walkway.

"This new facility will benefit boaties in the area allowing for much greater access to the river to fish and for boaties keen to head out to fishing grounds further offshore.

"The existing Corbetts Landing boat ramp, about 35km north of Yeppoon on the Water Park Creek, will undergo a significant upgrade to two lanes plus a new floating walkway.

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Ms Lauga said the Queensland Recreational Boating Facilities Demand Forecasting Study 2017 prioritised the two sites to increase the capacity of boat ramp lanes in the region.

"I am pleased to see these projects coming to fruition as they will not only be a terrific boon to recreational boating but will also offer long-term economic benefits supporting the region well into the future."

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