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**MEDIA ALERT**



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## **Broome youth bike park gets up and rolling**

The wheels are in motion on the first stage of the new BRAC 1 Youth Bike Precinct as construction gets underway.

The new facility is being created on vacant land off Frederick St between Broome Recreation and Aquatic Centre and the Boulevard shopping centre and is being undertaken in stages as funding becomes available, with construction of a mountain bike pump track the first project underway.

An \$85,000 grant has been secured from the WA Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries and the remainder of the \$220,000 construction cost is funded by the Shire of Broome.

The master plan for the site was developed through community workshops and consultation, and in addition to the pump track will eventually include mountain bike and walking trails, an informal dirt jumps area, BMX track, shade, seating and drinking water.

Broome Shire President, Harold Tracey, said the BRAC 1 Youth Bike Precinct was an important project that would provide new opportunities for youth in Broome.

“As a Council we want to provide activities for our young people that encourage them to be active and healthy, and the BRAC bike park is a really exciting project that’s been in planning for a couple of years,” Cr Tracey said.

Following a procurement process Council has appointed specialist bike trail company World Trail, who have built similar facilities around Australia, to construct the pump track.

Base works are now underway with construction of the pump track scheduled to start in October 2019 for completion before the end of the year.

The project has also received generous sponsorship support from local businesses donating time and materials:

- McCorry Brown Earthmoving has donated 1000m<sup>3</sup> metres of fill for the project.
- MNG Survey has donated their services to survey and set out the initial civil works and will perform a final survey.
- Roadline Civil Contractors will shape and compact the fill to provide the initial building pad for the pump track.

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