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BUILDER APPOINTED FOR KINGSCLIFF'S NEW AMBULANCE STATION

The Kingscliff community is a step closer to a new state-of-the-art ambulance station with a contractor announced to build the station.

The new facility will be co-located at the site of the new \$723.3 million Tweed Valley Hospital, replacing the Marine Parade ambulance station which has served the community for 65 years.

NSW Health Infrastructure Executive Director, Rural and Regional Amanda Bock said the construction contract was awarded to FK Gardner & Sons (FKG) following a competitive tender process, and the community will soon see preparations begin on the site.

"Today's announcement reinforces the NSW Government's commitment to investing in rural and regional health infrastructure so local communities such as Kingscliff have better health outcomes now and into the future," Ms Bock said.

NSW Ambulance Commissioner Dr Dominic Morgan said Kingscliff's new ambulance station will provide the most up-to-date facilities and equipment to support our local paramedics and meet the demand for mobile emergency care in the local area.

"It's a win for our local paramedics and the growing Tweed Valley community," Dr Morgan said.

"The two-level ambulance station will feature internal parking for up to eight vehicles including an internal wash bay, staff parking, administration and office areas, gym, relief accommodation and logistics and storage areas."

Construction of the new station is expected to be completed in early 2024.

The Kingscliff Ambulance Station is part of the \$232 million Rural Ambulance Infrastructure Reconfiguration (RAIR) program, which is the single largest investment in regional NSW Ambulance's 127-year history, with 54 new or upgraded ambulance stations being delivered.

The construction of the Tweed Valley Hospital, where the new ambulance station is co-located, is progressing well, with the main hospital building nearing completion. Landscaping is also underway across the campus and the final finishes will soon be applied to the internal roads.
