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## Fond farewell for tower crane at Wagga Wagga Base Hospital

A significant and fond landmark on Wagga Wagga's skyline for almost one year will be farewelled this weekend.

Known as Wamarra, the 48.9 metre tower crane on the Stage 3 construction site of the \$431 million Wagga Wagga Health Service (WWHS) Redevelopment is due to be dismantled and depart the city on Saturday 16 May 2020. Wamarra is a Wiradjuri word meaning 'to build'.

Wamarra has the capacity to lift 24 tonnes with a span of 65 metres. Since it was erected on the construction site on 23 May 2019, Wamarra has enabled works and deliveries on the site six days a week.

Its work has been pivotal to the construction of the new Ambulatory Care Building which reached its highest point in February 2020.

The crane was centre stage in the successful [Name the Crane Competition](#) in 2019, involving primary school students across Murrumbidgee Local Health District (MLHD). It has also been used for [emergency rescue training for NSW Ambulance supported by CPB Contractors](#).

The crane will be dismantled using a large mobile crane, with its sections loaded onto heavy vehicles for its departure by road from Wagga Wagga.

The third and final stage of the Redevelopment is on schedule to be complete late 2020, ahead of operational commissioning in 2021.

Further facts about the tower crane can be found [here](#).

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