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WORK COMPLETED DURING CAMERON PARK ROUNDABOUT CLOSURES

The Nationals Duty MLC for Cessnock Trevor Khan today said that work to remove the Cameron Park roundabout has been completed.

Trevor Khan said the Hunter Expressway project team completed work at the intersection of the Newcastle Link Road, Cameron Park Drive and Woodford Street in the early hours of last Monday morning.

"The project team were able to complete all work needed during two full weekend closures," Mr Khan said.

"There was a significant amount of work completed though most of it is not visible to motorists.

"The majority of work was below the road surface and was challenging to carry out," Mr Khan said.

Completed work included:
- Substantial rebuilding and upgrade of the existing drainage network under the intersection
- The installation of traffic light ducting
- The removal of the existing roundabout islands and concrete kerbs
- The rebuilding of road in the intersection.

"The patience and understanding of the community during this work was appreciated.

"The Cameron Park roundabout upgrade is one of six key intersections to be upgraded as part of the F3 Freeway to Newcastle project.

"As part of the Hunter Expressway project the northbound F3 Freeway exit ramp to the Newcastle Link Road was closed in August 2011.

"The completion of the first stage of work was essential to ensure the new northbound F3 Freeway exit ramp to the Newcastle Link Road will operate effectively when it opens to traffic in August.

"The next stage includes work to the Newcastle Link Road exit and entry ramps to the freeway, work at the Cameron Park Drive intersection and on the Newcastle Link Road.

"Work will be done at night and no further full closures of the intersection are expected.

"The second stage will include the installation of traffic lights at the Newcastle Link Road, Cameron Park Drive and Woodford Street intersection and is expected to start in late 2012," Mr Khan said.

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