Super-T girders installed on the bridge over Tongarra Road

As part of the project, Super T girders (concrete beams) were recently installed on the bridge over Tongarra Road.

These are the largest ‘Super T’ girders to be installed on the project, along with the girders that will be installed on one of the bridges over Frazers Creek. Each girder is around 38 metres long, 1.8 metres high and weighs 90 tonnes.

Now the girders have been installed on the bridge over Tongarra Road there is a 5.2 metre height restriction in place.

This bridge is part of the Albion Park interchange which will have south facing ramps at Tongarra Road. The north facing ramps are provided further north at the current Illawarra Highway.

We have a 3D visualisation and videos on the project website that show how you can enter and exit Albion Park when the project is complete.

A video of the girders being delivered and installed is also on the project website Roads-maritime.transport.nsw.gov.au
What we’ve been doing?
Since January 2020 we have:

- opened another section of the new East West Link
- closed Woollybutt Drive and Durgadin Drive which both become cul-de-sacs
- switched on the traffic lights at the Princes Highway and Nehme Avenue intersection
- continued bridge construction across the project
- relocated water and electrical utilities on Tongarra Road
- progressed earthworks at Yallah, along the Illawarra Highway, Tongarra Road and near the Oak Flats interchange.

What’s coming up?
In the coming months we will be:

- opening the new bridge into Albion Park
- opening the Croom Regional Sporting Complex access road and shared path
- continuing with installing girders and bridge construction
- continuing with pavement construction.

Our interactions with you during COVID-19
We are implementing measures for the health and safety of the community and staff. In our interactions with you, we will follow social distancing guidelines to minimise risk from COVID-19.

To protect everyone’s health we are:

- putting a hold on community information sessions and Aboriginal Focus Group meetings
- limiting face to face meetings and, where possible, arranging phone meetings as an alternative
- temporarily closing the community display centre at the Albion Park Rail bypass site office.

One on one meetings can still be arranged as needed. Our team will maintain a 1.5 metre distance and won’t ask you to shake hands as a precaution.

You can still reach us by phone on 1800 708 727 (toll free) and email APRbypass@fultonhogan.com.au, and visit the webpage for the latest project updates. We will continue to send emails and notifications letters to keep you informed about work happening near you.

The project team thanks the community for their patience during this time.
Upcoming traffic changes on Illawarra Highway

The new bridge into Albion Park will be opened to traffic in both directions, following a weekend closure of the Illawarra Highway in May. These temporary traffic changes will allow us to continue work on the bypass in this area.

A detour of Illawarra Highway via the Princes Highway and Tongararra Road will be in place. During this closure, there will be no access for cyclists or pedestrians.

When the new motorway is complete this bridge becomes the southbound exit ramp into Albion Park.

For more information about this work visit the project website, livetraffic.com, or download the Live Traffic App.

Work at Frazers Creek

Frazers Creek is an important part of the landscape.

The creek runs through cleared pasture land and has remains of native trees. It is home to native flora and fauna including freshwater mussels and a locally rare water lily known to Aboriginal people as Nardoo.

Our design at Frazers Creek mimics a natural creek.

We have replicated a healthy stream, which has rocks and fallen logs that provide habitat and in-stream protection for fish and turtles. We will also be planting a range of native plants.

Construction working hours

Construction sites can now operate on weekends and public holidays to support the industry during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The extended hours allow the industry to facilitate social distancing on construction sites, while minimising the potential for lost productivity.

During this time, construction work may be carried out Monday to Sunday 7am to 7pm and on public holidays.

We will continue to make every effort to minimise construction impacts where possible.
Keeping the community informed

In early March we visited the Rotary Club of Shellharbour City to provide an update on the project. Members commended the project team for their work and are look forward to using the bypass.

Taylor Lappin (Fulton Hogan Community Relations Officer), James Diamond (Fulton Hogan Environmental Manager) and David Hooper (President) March 2020

Contact us

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