Continuing night work on Great Western Highway, Blackheath from Monday 16 September 2019

The Australian and New South Wales governments are upgrading the Great Western Highway between Katoomba and Lithgow to improve traffic flow, safety and travel conditions.

Major work is progressing well at Blackheath. We have now:
- completed installing six out of the seven new water main connections along the Great Western Highway
- installed stormwater pipes and pits along the Great Western Highway
- installed traffic light poles at Govetts Leap Road intersection and
- started constructing the soil nail wall along the Great Western Highway between Hargraves Street and Jellicoe Street.

Upcoming work will include:
- connecting the final new water main along the Great Western Highway
- widening the roadway along the Great Western Highway between Chelmsford Avenue and Neate Park
- constructing pavement and installing concrete kerbing and median islands
- asphalting, line marking and landscaping.

Our work schedule

To minimise the impact to road users and reduce the length of time to complete the project, we will continue to carry out work up to five nights per week between Monday 16 September 2019 and Saturday 30 November 2019. Work will occur between 8pm and 5am, Sunday night to Saturday morning.

There will only be a maximum of five night shifts in any given week. We will only work Friday nights if we missed shifts during the week, or if required by utility providers or authorities.

How will the work affect you?

While we are working, a section of the traffic lane will be temporarily closed. Additionally some local roads may also need to temporarily close. Some parking spaces next to the work areas will be temporarily unavailable.
We will maintain access to driveways, unless we contact you in advance to make arrangements.

Work will be noisy and vehicle movements will increase. Traffic control will ensure the safety of workers and the community while we are working.

We will minimise the impact to the community by:
- completing the noisiest activities earlier in the shift
- not carrying out noisy activities like saw cutting, jackhammering or rock breaking after midnight
- directing lighting away from residential properties
- temporarily restoring work areas to reduce noise from road plates.

Traffic changes

There will be temporary traffic changes during our work to ensure the work zone is safe.

Electronic signs will be in place along the Great Western Highway to notify motorists.

Please keep to speed limits, follow signs and traffic controllers’ directions. For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

Contact

If you have any questions, please contact our delivery partner Diona on 1800 035 733 or email K2Lupgrade@rms.nsw.gov.au.

We understand and appreciate our work can be inconvenient and sincerely thank you for your understanding and ongoing patience.