



## Duplication of Tourle Street and Cormorant Road at Kooragang

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**The Australian and NSW governments have each committed funding to duplicate Tourle Street and Cormorant Road at Kooragang.**

Roads and Maritime Services is upgrading Tourle Street and Cormorant Road at Kooragang to improve traffic flow and cater for a future increase in traffic. Development in Port Stephens, the expansion of Newcastle Airport and the growth of industrial development on Kooragang Island will contribute to increased traffic.

The upgrade includes duplicating 3.8 kilometres of road between Industrial Drive at Mayfield West and Egret Street at Kooragang to provide two lanes in each direction. A second two lane bridge will also be built to the western side of the existing Tourle Street bridge. Construction started in May 2016 and the upgrade is expected to be completed by the end of 2018, weather permitting.



Construction under way on second bridge on Tourle Street (Oct 2016)

### Construction update

The new bridge is starting to take shape. In the past six months we have:

- ✓ Completed piling for all four land based bridge piers and started installing some of the land based piers
- ✓ Installed a temporary wharf on the northern river bank and started piling for the six river based piers (pictured left).

On the road we have:

- ✓ Removed existing line markings and concrete islands and replaced with new line markings to provide separation between traffic and the construction area
- ✓ Installed concrete barriers to help keep workers safe
- ✓ Built road embankments on Tourle Street and on Cormorant Road
- ✓ Started construction of new road at the eastern end of Cormorant Road.

## Upcoming work

Work coming up over the next six months includes:

- Completion of bridge piling and pier installation
- Start installation of land based bridge beams on the southern side of the river
- Relocation of utilities along Cormorant Road (sewer and water mains) and on Tourle Street (water main)
- Construction of new road pavement on the eastern side of Tourle Street, and on Cormorant Road near the Long Pond as well as near Egret Street.

We will make every effort to minimise disruption to businesses along Tourle Street and Cormorant Road and will discuss any temporary changes to access arrangements in advance. We apologise for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience during this work.

## Temporary traffic changes

Delays are expected due to changed traffic conditions. Please follow the direction of traffic controllers, follow traffic signs and stick to reduced speed limits. For the latest traffic information, visit [www.livetraffic.com](http://www.livetraffic.com) or download the Live Traffic App.

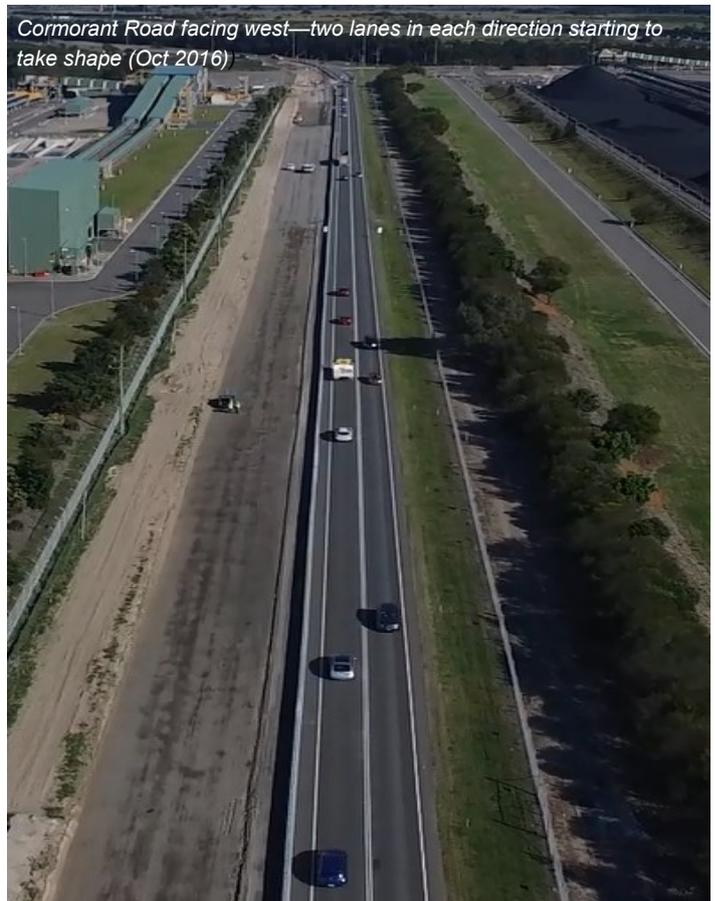
## Work hours

Most of the work will be carried out 7am to 6pm Mondays to Fridays and Saturdays from 8am to 1pm, weather permitting. We will continue to notify nearby businesses and residents of any work outside these hours in advance of work starting.

## Further information

For more information about the upgrade or to be added to our mailing list, please contact the project team on 1800 471 488 or email [community@ts-jv.com.au](mailto:community@ts-jv.com.au).

More information is also available at [rms.nsw.gov.au](http://rms.nsw.gov.au)



## Did you know ...

We'll be making use of drone technology to obtain aerial images of the upgrade as work progresses. This will be particularly useful for monitoring progress on the new bridge. We expect the drone will go up about once a month subject to favourable weather conditions.

