Bridge installation and road closure at Castlereagh Road, Penrith from Wednesday 25 December 2019

The Australian and NSW governments are jointly funding the $105 million upgrade of Mulgoa Road, Penrith from Union Road to Thornton Drive.

From **10pm Wednesday 25 December** to **5am Tuesday 31 December**, weather permitting, important work will take place to install a new rail bridge over Castlereagh Road. We will carry out this complicated work during a shutdown of the Blue Mountains Line. Buses will replace trains between Penrith and Bathurst from **2am Thursday 26 December** to **2am Tuesday 31 December**.

The work will include removing the existing rail bridge, installing the new bridge and constructing new bridge protection structures. Installing the new bridge will allow us to widen the existing rail underpass to have three northbound and southbound lanes on Castlereagh Road to improve traffic flow and ease congestion.

There will be a **full closure of Castlereagh Road** between Jane Street and Thornton Drive from **10pm Wednesday 25 December** to **5am Tuesday 31 December 2019**. We will divert traffic to The Northern Road via Andrews Road on the northern side and Jane Street on the southern side of the railway line.
Road users are expected to experience up to 30 minutes delay on the detour route. There will be extensive travel time delays in Penrith CBD on 26 and 27 December 2019. Road users are encouraged to plan ahead, allow extra travel time and use alternative routes where possible.

We appreciate the patience and understanding of all road users while we carry out this important work.

Pedestrian access on Castlereagh Road will not be available during the full closure. An alternative route from Penrith Station will be in place. Please refer to the map above for the pedestrian detour.

**Our work schedule**

The full Castlereagh Road between Jane Street and Thornton Drive will take place from **10pm Wednesday 25 December** to **5am Tuesday 31 December 2019**. We will carry out work continuously during the closure, 24 hours per day.

**Contact**

If you have any questions, please contact our delivery partner, McConnell Dowell on **1800 951 118** or via email mulgoaroad.penrith@mcddgroup.com.

For more information about this project, visit rms.nsw.gov.au/mulgoaroadpenrith

Traffic changes – full closure of Castlereagh Road between Jane Street and Thornton Drive

The **full closure** will take place day and night from **10pm Wednesday 25 December** to **5am Tuesday 31 December 2019**. Access to Museum Drive will remain open at all times during the closure.

There will also be a rail closure between Penrith and Lithgow for the work to occur. Please call 131500 or check **Upcoming Trackwork** on the Transportnsw.info website to find out about changes to train timetables and alternative buses.

Please follow direction of traffic controllers, speed and detour signs. For the latest traffic updates call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com.au or download the Live Traffic App.

**How will the work affect you?**

To ensure we install the new bridge as efficiently as possible, we will work continuously during the closure, **24 hours per day**. Rail traffic west of Penrith Station will also be affected. For the latest updates, visit transportnsw.info for more detail.

Our work may be noisy at times. Every effort will be made to minimise impact including:

- Using non-tonal reversing beepers on machinery
- Turning off equipment and vehicles when not in use
- Only using lighting towers when necessary
- Directing noise generating equipment away from residences where possible
- Dust mitigation measures will be in place at all times.

If you need help understanding this information, please contact the Translating and Interpreting Service on 131 450 and ask them to call us on 1800 951 118.