

Turning the corner: upgrades on Princes Highway, Sydenham starting soon

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Vehicles turning right from Railway Road onto the Princes Highway

Roads and Maritime Services is delivering this project as part of its program to ease congestion and improve travel times on Sydney's busiest corridors.

When our roads are busiest there are delays turning from Railway Road onto the Princes Highway at Sydenham. To fix this, we are upgrading this intersection by adding a new right turning lane and moving the Princes Highway pedestrian crossing taking pressure off this local 'pinch point'.

Up to 700 vehicles an hour turn from Railway Road onto the Princes Highway. Long queues and delays of more than four minutes are common in the busiest periods.

To get traffic moving we are widening Railway Road to create two dedicated right turning lanes onto the Princes Highway and maintaining the existing dedicated left turning lane. We are also moving the pedestrian crossing on the Princes Highway to the other side of Railway Road. Motorists turning right will no longer have to wait for pedestrians to cross the road before they can turn. We will also adjust the traffic light phasing to give more time to the busiest parts of the intersection.

Major work to upgrade this intersection will begin on **Monday 29 April** and will be finished by the end of the year. From **Monday 15 April** we will be on site for **up to three nights** to run some tests ahead of construction. We will be digging small boreholes to get samples of the soil beneath the road surface.

Community benefits

- Improving travel times by up to 12 hours a year for people who use this road each day when our roads are at their busiest.
- Reducing congestion and improving traffic flow by widening Railway Road to create dual right turning lanes and maintaining the dedicated left turning lane.
- Upgrading the pedestrian crossings and adjusting the traffic light phasing to give more time each green light to the busiest parts of the intersection.
- Improving safety for pedestrians and road users.

What are we doing?

- Widening Railway Road to provide an additional right turn lane onto the Princes Highway at Sydenham.
- Moving the Princes Highway pedestrian crossing to the other side of Railway Road so that it lines up with a new traffic island we are installing.
- Adjusting the traffic light phasing to give green light time to the busiest parts of the intersection.
- Marking new lines and turning arrows on the road, removing and reinstating the footpath, and laying new asphalt.
- Relocating utilities.
- Removing approximately eight trees and planting 16 new trees in the nearby park.

Traffic changes

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

Lane closures will be in place and may affect travel times. Please keep to speed limits and 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**.

Work schedule

So we can finish work by the end of the year we will work up to five nights in a row.

From **Monday 15 April** we will be on site for **up to three nights a week** to run some tests ahead of construction. We will be digging small boreholes to get samples of the soil beneath the road surface which could be noisy for nearby residents. We will do all we can to finish the noisiest tasks by midnight.

We will be on site for **up to five nights a week** from **Monday 29 April 2019** until **Friday 20 December 2019**, weather permitting, for around 80 days and 60 nights. We will not work on public holidays.

At night we will work between **7pm** and **5am** from **Sunday** to **Thursday**. We will complete as many noisy tasks as we can before midnight.

Whenever possible, we will work during the day. Day work will be between **7am** and **5:30pm** from **Monday** to **Friday** and **8am** to **1pm** on **Saturdays**.

Contact us

If you have any questions, please contact our delivery partner, Ventia Boral Amey Joint Venture on **1800 677 700** or nswenquiries@vbajv.com.au.

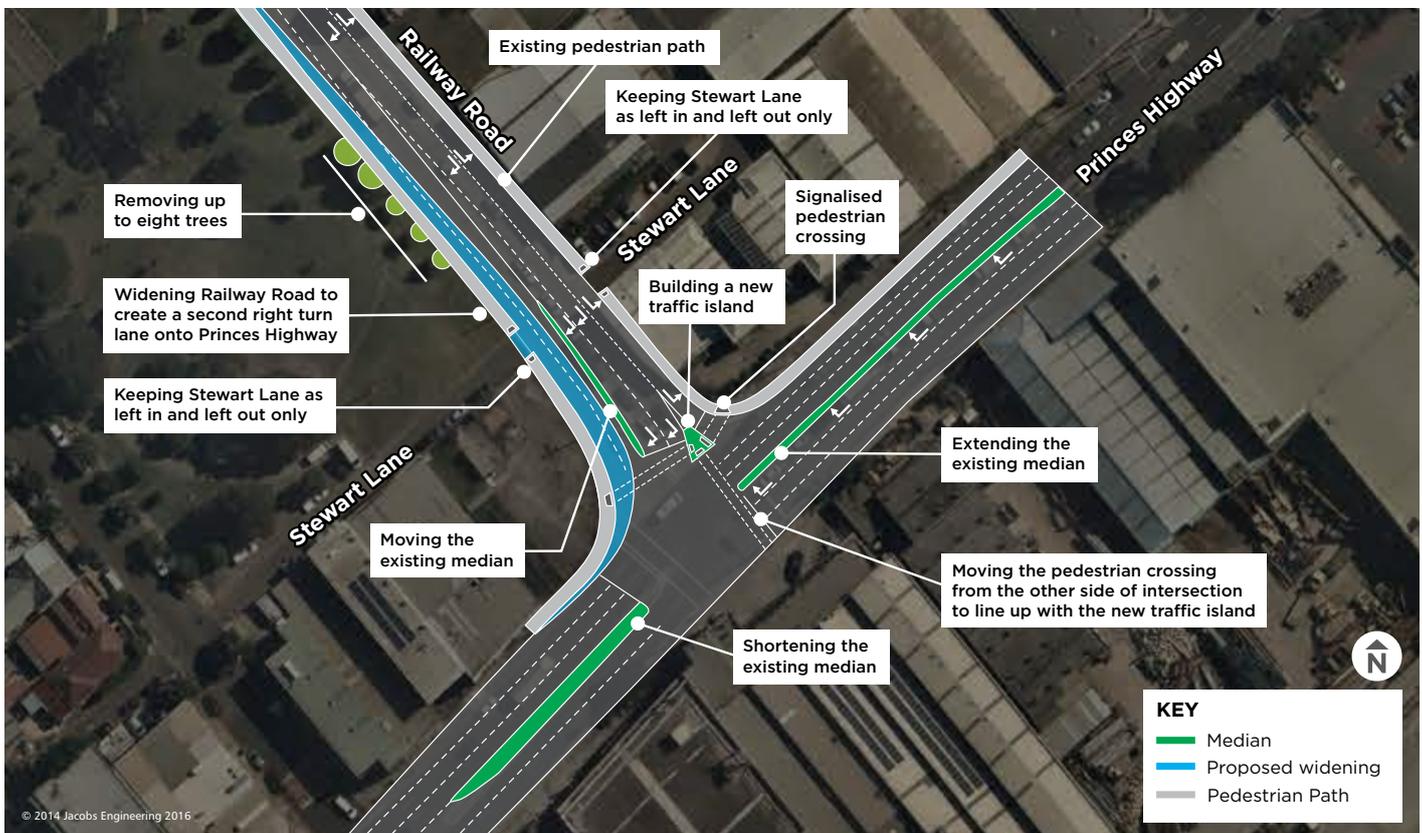
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