Windsor Bridge replacement project

Construction update – March 2020

Major work is continuing on the new Windsor Bridge to help improve traffic flow and provide a safe and reliable crossing over the Hawkesbury River at Windsor. The new bridge is expected to open to traffic in mid-2020.

Due to the recent flood event there has been some disruption to the work schedule. Some of the work we planned to do in February will continue into this month.

Work to be carried out in **March 2020** includes:

**Bridge construction**

We are continuing work on the bridge structure with the following key activities:

- work on the bridge concrete barriers
- installing the bridge barrier railings
- brickwork on the northern abutment and retaining walls.
- constructing the bridge concrete approach slabs.
- removing the marine scaffolding from around the bridge piers

**Utility relocations**

**Water**

We will continue our work to upgrade the existing sewer infrastructure between the north and south areas of the river. We are installing new sewer infrastructure and connecting it with existing sewers.

Work to install new water pipes in both the southern and northern approaches is ongoing. We will also continue work to remove an existing water main along the southern side of Wilberforce Road.

Work will restart along The Terrace to install a new water main.

**Electrical**

Work will continue installing underground cables for the traffic lights on the southern approach. We will also put in new pits, conduits and footings north of the bridge to enable intelligent transport system infrastructure.

The work will be ongoing for new underground cables on Bridge Street between Macquarie Street and George Street.

We are also upgrading the electrical network with new underground cables and conduits on the northern bridge approach towards Wilberforce Road.

Telstra and NBN will continue installing cables on the northern and southern approach.
Roadwork

On the northern side of the bridge we will:

- install stormwater drainage on Wilberforce Road.
- continue work along Wilberforce Road to install subsoil drains, kerbs and gutters, the centre median and pavement.
- complete the construction of the basin.

On the southern side we will:

- finish the brick paving at Bridge and George Streets as well as the concrete foundations.
- start construction of the new stairs from Bridge Street to The Terrace.

Archaeology

Archaeologists will continue to work in the project area when required.

Our work schedule

Work will generally be carried out during standard construction hours between 7am and 6pm on weekdays and from 8am to 1pm on Saturday.

Out of hours work will continue in February between 9pm and 5am Monday to Friday.

In addition, there may be some early morning work to pour concrete from 5:30am. This schedule will be dependent on the weather forecast. Residents affected will be notified prior to this work commencing.

There will also be some extended hours on Saturdays from 8am to 4pm.

How the work will affect you

There may be some noise and disruption associated with this work, including vehicle movements. We are making every effort to minimise noise and disruption to the community during construction.

We will continue to notify affected residents separately before any proposed noisy or night work.

Traffic Changes

Temporary traffic changes (including lane closures, road closures and detours) will be in place to ensure the work zone is safe. Please follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs.

For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

Pedestrian access

Following damage caused by the flood, the pedestrian walkway on the bridge is closed until repairs are finished and the walkway is safe.

Signs remain in place directing pedestrians to cross Bridge Street at the pedestrian lights at the intersection of Bridge and Macquarie Streets.

The new pram access ramps near George Street will not be open to pedestrians until the new intersection traffic lights are in use. We ask pedestrians to follow the directions on the signs to safely cross Bridge Street.

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Thank you for your patience during this important work.