

Start of work on Dawson River Bridge, Manning River Drive, Cundletown from Monday 10 May

The NSW Government is investing in essential maintenance work on Dawson River Bridge to ensure its continued safe operation.

Transport for NSW sought comments from the community and stakeholders in February 2021 on the scheduling of work, bridge closures and detours that are required as part of a painting and maintenance project on Dawson River Bridge. We would like to thank everyone who took the time to consider our proposal and provide feedback.

We have reviewed the feedback and will be proceeding with the proposed work schedule, bridge closures and detours.

Stage one work will start from **Monday 10 May**. This preparation work will include establishing a site compound near the bridge and intermittent day and night work. Occasional day work will be carried out between **7am and 5pm** from **Monday to Thursday**, weather permitting, with limited impact to traffic. Occasional night work, with limited impact to traffic, will be carried out between **7pm and 5am** from **Sunday to Thursday**, weather permitting.

Stage two work will start from **Sunday 23 May** and is expected to take a minimum of **two months** to complete, with some full bridge closures and detours in place. Work will involve preparation for the painting project, including repairs to the steel truss, replacing the overhead bracing along the full length of the bridge and bird proofing activities.

Due to high volumes of traffic on the bridge during the day, stage two of work will be carried out **between 7pm and 5am** from **Sunday to Thursday, weather permitting**. More details about the bridge closures and the detour route are included overleaf.

How will the work affect you?

The work involves the use of machinery which will generate some noise and light. We will make every effort to minimise noise and light by completing noisier activities earlier in the night and turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use.

Traffic changes

There will be some temporary traffic changes to ensure the work zone is safe. On occasions during day work, lane closures, stop/slow traffic arrangements and a 40km/h speed limit will be in place and may affect travel times. During night work, lane closures, stop/slow traffic arrangements and a 40km/h speed limit will be in place and may affect travel times.

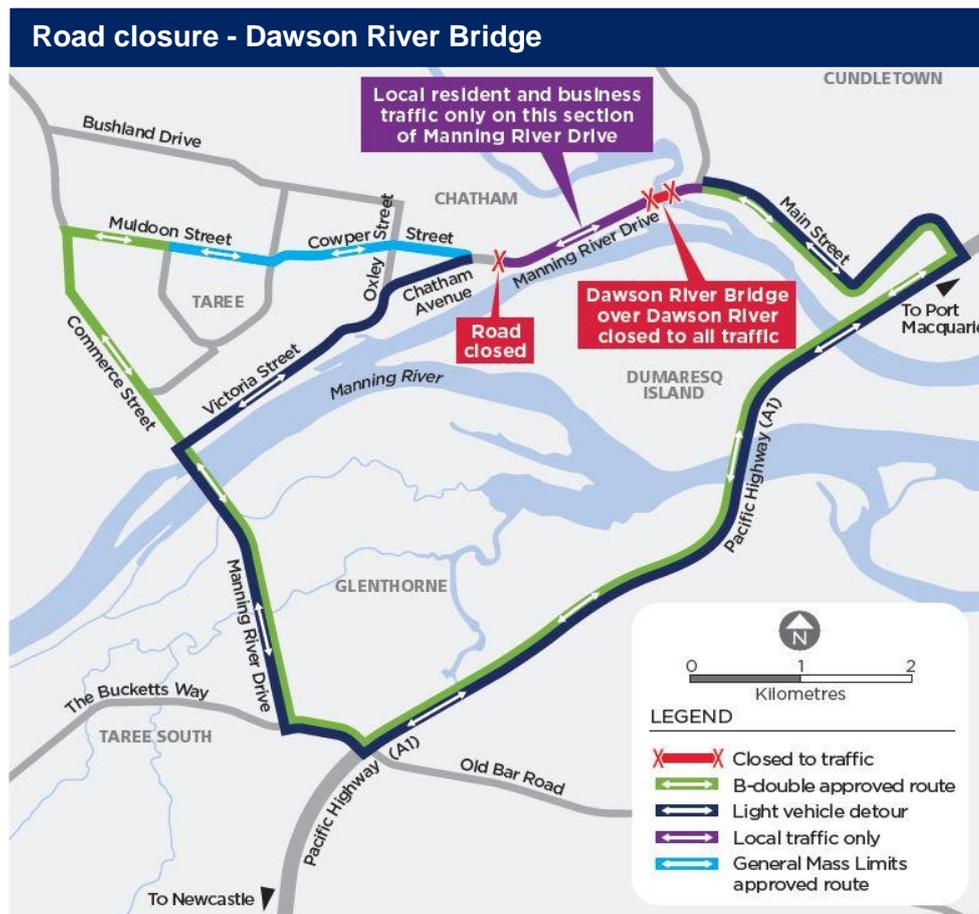
Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs. For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

Bridge closures and detour

Some of the work to repair and replace steel bracing requires closing the bridge to traffic to ensure the safety of workers and motorists. We have developed a schedule for the bridge closures which aims to minimise inconvenience to motorists and community.

During stage two of work from **Sunday 6 June**, two weeks of full bridge closures with detours will be in place at night. In **late-July**, an additional week of full bridge closures with detours will be required. The closures will be in place from **Sunday to Thursday between 10pm and 5am**. We will ensure that closures of Dawson River Bridge are not scheduled at the same time as closures of Martin Bridge.

During the closures, a detour will be in place via Cundletown and the Pacific Highway as shown in the map below. **Detour route – up to 20 kilometres or around 20 minutes travel time**. We have procedures in place to allow access across the bridge for emergency services during the bridge closures.



Next Steps

The final stage of work which includes painting the bridge is expected to commence in late-2021. We will continue to keep the community informed as the project progresses.

Contact

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For more information on this project, visit nswroads.work/dawsonriverbridge. Thank you for your patience during this important work.



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