

NEWCASTLE INNER CITY BYPASS: RANKIN PARK TO JESMOND
ENVIRONMENTAL REPRESENTATIVE MONTHLY REPORT
December 2020

Reporting Period: 1 to 31 December 2020

PROJECT SUMMARY: Delivery of the Newcastle Inner City Bypass (NICB) Rankin Park to Jesmond (RP2J) project has been broken into four stages:

Stage 1: Detailed design investigations and low impact works – in progress

Stage 2: Share Path Bridge – under construction

Stage 3: Southern Utilities relocation works – pre-work planning

Stage 4: Main RP2J road construction – detailed design.

Works underway:

- Stage 1: No work in December
- Stage 2: Daracon is constructing Bridge 7 - Shared Path Bridge.
- Stage 3: No work in December
- Stage 4: No work in December

December 2020 Completed Works:

Shared Path Bridge

- Sandstone retaining wall
- Coles Street Earthworks and Pavement works are ongoing
- Stair balustrades installed
- Stair lights installed
- Landscaping on the Southern side
- Concrete footpaths on Southern side were constructed
- Insitu stairs installed
- Newcastle Road bus stop installation
- Type 5 fencing installed along Newcastle Road



January 2021 Upcoming Works:

Shared Path Bridge

- Newcastle Road asphalt and line marking – rescheduled from December due to inclement weather
- Landscaping on the northern side
- Coles Street pavement installation
- Coles Street guardrail installation
- Newcastle Road Concrete mow strip (OOHW No.19: 12-14 January 2021)
- Newcastle Road Asphalt Works (OOHW No.18: 22-25 January 2021)

ER Activity:

Reviews/Approvals/Advice

- OOHW No. 18: Asphalt Works: Review and approve
- OOHW No. 19: Concrete Mow Strip: Review and approve

Inspections

- An inspection was held on 3rd December 2020 with the ER, DPIE, TfNSW and Daracon prior to the monthly site meeting
- A Joint ER/TfNSW inspection report was issued to TfNSW and Daracon.

Environmental Group Meetings / Site Meetings

- A meeting was held on 3rd December 2020 with TfNSW, DPIE and the ER
- ERGs are not being held for the Shared Path Bridge or low impact works; however, inspections and project briefing meetings will be undertaken monthly.

Audits

- There were no ER audits held in December.

Stop Work Notices

- There were no Stop Work Notices in December.



Incidents

- There was one incident in December.

Wednesday 2nd December 2020 – Mud Tracking

A subcontractor drove a light vehicle into Gate 2 of the Compound Area (Robinson Avenue) on the southern side of Newcastle Road. The vehicle was driven into an area that was saturated from overnight rain resulting in soils sticking to the vehicles tyres. The vehicle then proceeded to drive out of the compound without adequately cleaning the tyres before exiting. As a result, soils were deposited on public roads, including Robinson Avenue and Newcastle Road (west bound). Where possible, site staff immediately removed debris from the impacted roads and the access gate in which the vehicle entered site (Gate 2) was closed. The subcontractor then completed an internal toolbox regarding the incident and the expectations of vehicle entry / exit to the site. In addition, the subcontractor delivered a toolbox talk to entire site personal.

CEMP, CEMPP & Minister's Conditions of Approval

Reports

- MCoA A26(k): Environmental Representative Monthly Report (November 2020) – Prepared and uploaded (DPIE Portal): 9th December 2020.

Monitoring

- No monitoring is required for the SPB.

Community Consultation and Complaints

- Complaint from a Hill Street resident regarding truck parking outside property and restricting access. Subcontractor immediately moved vehicle and resolved the matter.
- Complaint from a Coles Street resident regarding the impacts from partial road closures. The subcontractor liaised with the resident to resolve the matter.

Project Positives

- Bridge is now fully opened and operation with the completion of the stairs
- Commencement of landscaping has had a real positive impact on the outlook of the project works



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Site Images – Stage 2: Shared Path Bridge (SPB), Jesmond



Image 1: Pedestrian access (southside)



Image 2: Laydown area (southside)



Image 3: SPB (southside)



Image 4: Newcastle Road (looking West)



Image 5: Northside of SPB (looking West)



Image 6: Under SPB, northside (looking East)

