

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

Reporting Period: 1 to 31 March 2020

CONSTRUCTION SUMMARY: The NICB RP2J construction project has been broken into four stages:

Stage 1: Detailed design investigation and low impact works - current

Stage 2: Share Path Bridge - current

Stage 3: Southern Utilities relocation works – detailed design

Stage 4: Main RP2J road construction – detailed design

Works underway:

- Stage 1: Low impact geotechnical drilling is underway. This work has been reviewed and approved as low impact works by the ER pursuant to the definition of Construction in the MCoA (i.e.: works not defined as construction).
- Stage 2: Daracon is constructing Bridge 7 - Shared Path Bridge.

March 2020 Completed Works:

Low Impact Works

- Geotechnical investigation restoration works has commenced.

Shared Path Bridge

- Utility relocation work
- Excavation and transport of retaining wall fill
- Northern and southern piling platform constructed
- Fabrication of the bridge underway (Wodonga)

April 2020 Upcoming Works:

Low Impact Works

- Geotechnical investigation restoration works will continue.
- Investigative drilling of culvert.

Shared Path Bridge

- Utility relocation work will continue



- Retaining wall work to continue including bulk excavation and transport of fill, and commence construction of the foundations
- Newcastle Road drainage and kerb
- Piling to commence

ER Activity:

Reviews/Approvals/Advice

- Advice on low impact works under the MCoA Definition for Construction.
- Meeting and provision of documentation according to the Independent Environmental Audit pursuant to the Independent Audit Program approved under MCoA A35.

Inspections

- An inspection was held on the 4th March 2020 with the ER, DPIE (Post Approvals), TfNSW and Daracon following the monthly site meeting.
- A combined ER & TfNSW inspection report was issued to Daracon.

ERG / Environmental Group Meetings

- A meeting was held on the 4th March 2020 with the ER, TfNSW, Daracon and DPIE (Post Approvals).
- ERGs will not be 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 March.

Stop Work Notices

- None issued.

Incidents

- There were no reportable events in March



CEMP & Minister's Conditions of Approval

- None in March.

Monitoring

- No monitoring is required for the SPB or Geotech works.

Community Consultation and Complaints

- Consultation occurred throughout February on SPB and Geotech works.
- One complaint was received in March regarding 1/10 Coles Street access. The complaint was related to difficulty getting into/out of their driveway with the reduced width on Coles Street. An asphalt berm was installed in the gutter to effectively widen the mouth of their driveway. There have been no complaints since this work.

Project Positives

A number of project positive communication techniques have been created from the COVID19 response:

- Delivery contractor (Daracon) has leveraged previous comprehensive community consultation to utilise other consultation methods that do not require face to face meetings. Remote consultation methods include emails, text messages, posted written consultation.
- The remote consultation methods were used during planning for OoHW Application 009.
- TfNSW discussed alternate remote consultation methods with DPIE. DPIE clarified this constraint is consistent across the industry and generally accepted the TfNSW proposal to maintain compliance with the project approval and OoHW Protocol.
- Revised consultation methods included in OoHW Application 009.



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Site Images



Photo 1: Aerial View of Project (1)

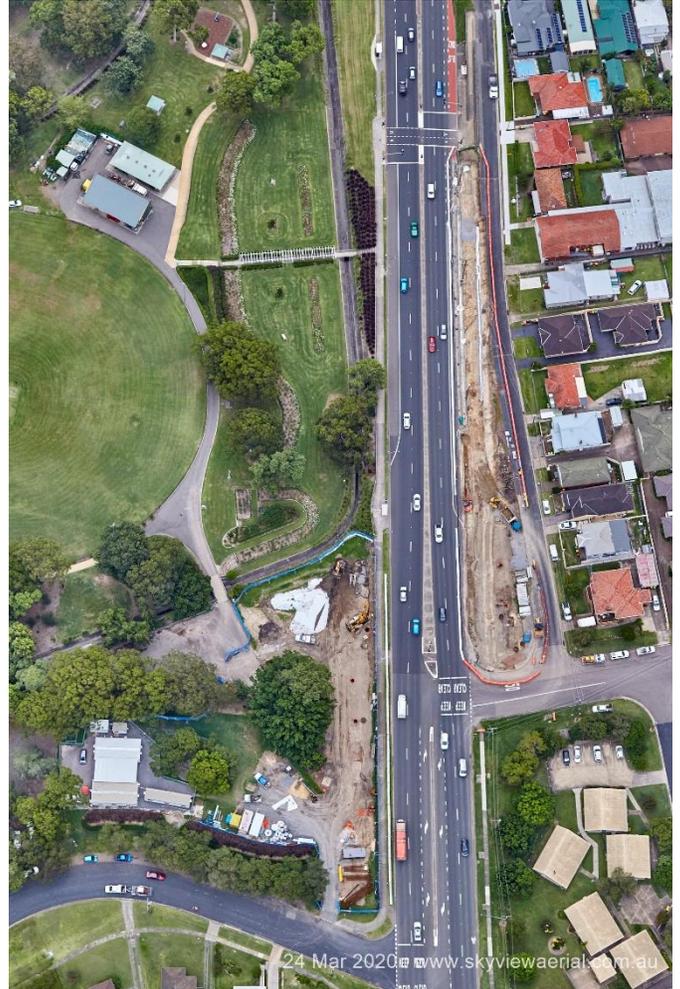


Photo 2: Aerial View of Project (2)





Photo 3: Newcastle Road works (1)



Photo 4: Newcastle Road works (2)



Photo 5: Works in Jesmond Park (1)



Photo 6: Stockpile site off Main Road



Photo 7: Works in Jesmond Park (2)



Photo 8: Newcastle Road and Jesmond Park works

