

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

May 2020

Reporting Period: 1 to 31 May 2020

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

Stage 1: Detailed design investigation and low impact works – under construction

Stage 2: Share Path Bridge – under construction

Stage 3: Southern Utilities relocation works – detailed design

Stage 4: Main RP2J road construction – detailed design

Works underway:

- Stage 1: Low impact investigative drilling works at the Jesmond roundabout. These works have 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.

May 2020 Completed Works:

Low Impact Works

- No low impact works

Shared Path Bridge

- Southern pile caps poured and backfilled
- Northern pile caps excavated, and reinforcement tied
- Ausgrid works 100% complete
- Concrete retaining walls 60% complete
- Fabrication of main span – chord segments fully fabricated and balustrade posts underway
- Main span installation preplanning commenced – consultation with emergency services, traffic commander, fabricator, haulage subcontractor, Daracon and TfNSW. Detour routes locked in, including allowance for emergency services. Draft traffic plan developed.

June 2020 Upcoming Works:

Low Impact Works

- No programmed low impact works



Shared Path Bridge

- Complete northern pile caps and construct piers on both sides
- Complete concrete retaining wall pours
- Continue fabrication of main span, commence procurement of balustrade panels
- Main span installation preplanning will continue – consultation with emergency services, traffic commander, fabricator, haulage subcontractor, Daracon and TfNSW. Detour routes locked in, including allowance for emergency services. Draft traffic plan will continue to be developed.

ER Activity:

Reviews/Approvals/Advice

- Independent Environmental Audit – Review and respond
- Low Impact Works (House Demolition) – Advice
- 1st Construction Compliance Report (6 Monthly) – Review

Inspections

- An inspection was held on the 15th May 2020 with the ER, TfNSW and Daracon prior to the monthly site meeting (attendee numbers were limited due to COVID19 restrictions).
- An ER inspection report was issued to Daracon.

Environmental Group Meetings / Site Meetings

- There was no meeting with TfNSW, ER and DPIE in May.
- 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 May.

Stop Work Notices

- There were no Stop Work Notices in May.

Incidents

- There were no reportable events in May.



CEMP, CEMPP & Minister's Conditions of Approval

- None in May.

Monitoring

- No monitoring is required for the SPB or low impact works.

Community Consultation and Complaints

- A single complaint during final Ausgrid nightworks outage. Resident advising WFH ability impacted.

Project Positives

- Community consultation has been ongoing with regards to concrete pours and concrete pump set-ups on Coles Street with over 400 outage affected residents but only 1 minor complaint (as above).
- Retaining wall architectural concrete finish. The formwork has proved a challenge, however a high-quality finish is being achieved. This is commendable considering the site constraints (tight working area, dealing with overhead powerlines)



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Site Images – Shared Path Bridge, Jesmond



Image 1: Project Site, Cnr of Newcastle Road and Robinson Avenue



Image 2: Newcastle Road

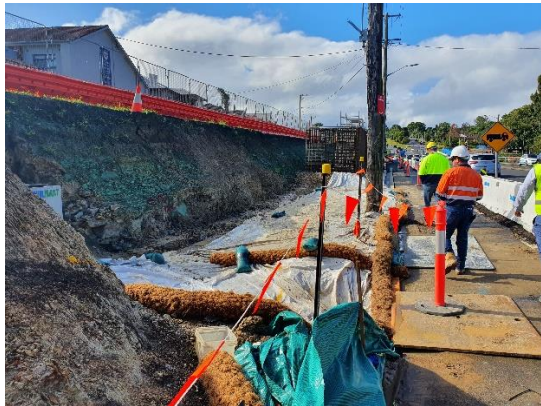


Image 3: Retaining Wall, Newcastle Road (1)



Image 4: Retaining Wall, Newcastle Road (2)



Image 5: Coles Street (1)



Image 6: Coles Street (2)

