

NEWCASTLE INNER CITY BYPASS: RANKIN PARK TO JESMOND (SSI-6888)
ENVIRONMENTAL REPRESENTATIVE MONTHLY REPORT
March 2022

Reporting Period: 1 to 31 March 2022

This Environmental Representative (ER) Monthly Report is prepared in accordance with the Minister's Condition of Approval A26(k) for the Newcastle Inner City Bypass: Rankin Park to Jesmond (SSI-6888) and consistent with the Environmental Representative Protocol (August 2018).

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 (geotechnical investigations) and low impact works (house demolition, heritage investigations, at-house noise treatment works) – in progress.

Stage 2: Shared Path Bridge – completed March 2021.

Stage 3: Southern Interchange Utilities relocation works – in progress.

Stage 4: Main RP2J road construction – detailed design and RFT.

Works Summary:

- Stage 1: House Demolition was completed June 2021, consultation of AHNT works commenced March 2022
- Stage 2: Shared Path Bridge was completed March 2021
- Stage 3: Southern Interchange Utility Relocation works commenced in July 2021 and are ongoing
- Stage 4: Main Works, no work in March 2022

March 2022 Completed Works:

Stage 1 - At House Noise Treatments

- Scoping for initial packages has been completed.

Stage 3 – Southern Interchange Utilities relocation works

- Completed trenching and installation of new DN500 water mains along Lookout Road
- Trenching and installation of new water mains from under bores into Hunter Water reservoir site
- Trenching and installation of telecommunication conduits along Lookout Road
- Construction of new Telstra pits
- Progress on site has been significantly impacted by wet weather (13 rain days during March 2022)



April 2022 Upcoming Works:

Stage 1 - At House Noise Treatments

- Commencing subcontractor tenders and letters of offer

Stage 1 – Culvert Works

- Low impact works associated with preventing microbats returning to the Dark Creek culvert

Stage 3 – Southern Interchange Utilities relocation works

- Trenching and installation of water mains in Hunter Water reservoir site
- Trenching and installation of new water mains from under bores at McCaffrey Drive intersection
- Removal of redundant electrical assets along Lookout Road and McCaffrey Drive
- Electrical outage for HV/LV cutover at Lookout Road/McCaffrey Drive Intersection
- Construction of new Telstra and Optus pits
- Hauling telecommunications cables through installed conduits

ER Activity:

Reviews/Approvals/Advice

- OOHW Application No. 33 (Low Risk) – Ausgrid Overhead Electrical Work: Cancellation
- March Environmental Project Team Meeting Minutes - 1st March 2022: Review
- Stage 2 (SHB) Operational Compliance Report: Review and approve
- OOHW Application No. 34 (Low Risk) – Removal of Redundant Overhead Power: Cancellation
- Low Impact Work Submission – JHH Electrical Adjustment Work (Stage 1): Review
- Consistency Assessment – Stage 4 Detailed Design Changes (March 2022): Review
- Environmental Inspection Report (15-3-2022): Prepare and issue
- OOHW Application Register: Review

Inspections

- A site inspection was held on the 15th March 2022 and attended by TfNSW, Quickway and the ER.



Project Environmental Team Meetings and Site Inspections

- The monthly project meeting was held on Tuesday 1st March.
- The next monthly project meeting is scheduled for the 5th April 2022.
- Project environmental team meetings are not being held for early works and low impact works; however, inspections and project briefing meetings are being undertaken monthly.

Audits

- There were no ER audits held in March.

Stop Work Notices

- There were no Stop Work Notices in March.

Incidents (as per MCoA definition)

- There were no incidents in March.

Non-compliances

- There were no non-compliances in March.

Environmental Issues (i.e.: not classified as Incidents as per MCoA)

- There were no environmental issues in March.

CEMP, CEMPP & Minister's Conditions of Approval

Reports

- MCoA A26(k): Environmental Representative Monthly Report (February 2022) – Prepared, reviewed and sent to DPIE (Post Approvals and Compliance): submitted to DPIE (via Portal): 7th March 2022.

Monitoring

- No monitoring is required for Stages 1, 2 or 3.

Community Consultation and Complaints

Complaints

- A resident mentioned they had not been contacted regarding works potentially impacting their driveway. TfNSW advised several contact attempts had been made. Resident has now provided alternative contact details.



Community consultation

- Three month look ahead notification for March to May 2022 period of out of hours work distributed to potentially affected residents on the 1 March 2022.

Project Positives

- There were no project positives this month.

RP2J Environmental Representatives (as per MCoA A22)



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Attachment: Site Images – March 2022



Site Images – Stage 1: Utility Relocations



Image 1: Utilities relocation works



Image 2: Utility relocation works



Image 3: Utility relocation works



Image 4: Utility relocation works





Image 5: Utility relocation works



Image 6: Utility relocation works



Image 7: Utility relocation works



Image 8: Utility relocation works

