

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

Reporting Period: 1 to 28 February 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-property 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
- 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 February 2021

February 2022 Completed Works:

Stage 3 – Southern Interchange Utilities relocation works

- Trenching and installation of new DN500 water mains along Lookout Road completed
- Trenching and installation of new water mains from under bores into Hunter Water reservoir site
- Commenced trenching and installation of new water main along McCaffrey Drive at western end. Planned nightworks cancelled due to wet weather.
- Telstra commenced demolition of existing pit and installation of telecommunication conduits along Lookout Road



March 2022 Upcoming Works:

Stage 3 – Southern Interchange Utilities relocation works

- Trenching and installation of water mains from under bores into Hunter Water reservoir site.
- Trenching and installation of water main along McCaffrey Drive.
- Removal of redundant electrical assets along Lookout Road and McCaffrey Drive.
- Trenching and installation of telecommunication conduits along Lookout Road.

ER Activity:

Reviews/Approvals/Advice

- OOHW Application No. 32 (Low Risk) – Lookout Road Telstra Conduits: Review and approve
- February Environmental Project Team Meeting Minutes - 1st February 2022: Review
- OOHW Application No. 33 (Low Risk) – Ausgrid Overhead Electrical Work: Review and approve
- OOHW Application No. 34 (Low Risk) – Removal of Redundant Overhead Power: Review and approve
- Stage 2 Operational Compliance Report: Review

Inspections

- A site inspection was held on the 1st February 2022 and attended by TfNSW, DPIE (Post Approvals), Quickway and the ER.

Project Environmental Team Meetings and Site Inspections

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

Audits

- There were no ER audits held in February.

Stop Work Notices

- There were no Stop Work Notices in February.



Incidents (as per MCoA definition)

- There were no incidents in February.

Non-compliances

- There were no non-compliances in February.

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

- An environmental issue occurred on Wednesday 23rd of February when slurry escaped from a work area during concrete cutting. No slurry left the site, and it was cleaned up immediately.

CEMP, CEMPP & Minister's Conditions of Approval

Reports

- MCoA A26(k): Environmental Representative Monthly Report (January 2022) – Prepared, reviewed and sent to DPIE (Post Approvals and Compliance): submitted to DPIE (via Portal): 7th February 2021.

Monitoring

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

Community Consultation and Complaints

Complaints

- There were no complaints in February.

Community consultation

- Three month look ahead notification for February to April 2022 period of out of hours work distributed to potentially affected residents on the 2 February 2022.
- Out of hours work notification (OOHW No. 29) for electrical outage between the 21 February 2022 and 3 March was distributed to potentially affected residents on 14 February 2022.
- Out of hours work notification (OOHW No. 33) for electrical outage on the 2 March 2022 was distributed to potentially affected residents on 23 February 2022.

Project Positives

- A letter was received from the public whom was involved in an accident within the proximity to the construction site who was complimentary of the helpfulness of the utility relocation construction team.



RP2J Environmental Representatives *(as per MCoA A22)*



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Attachment: Site Images – February 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

