

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

October 2020

*Reporting Period: 1 to 31 October 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 October
- Stage 2: Daracon is constructing Bridge 7 - Shared Path Bridge.
- Stage 3: No work in October
- Stage 4: No work in October

**October 2020 Completed Works:**

***Shared Path Bridge***

- Installation of main span and concrete deck was poured
- Northern abutment completed and backfilled
- Coles Street stormwater drainage
- Coles Street pavement excavation and placement of SMZ
- Completed remaining concrete pours for elevated ramps and stripped falsework
- Installation of balustrades on both ramps is 75% complete
- Footpath leading to southern elevated ramp poured
- 25 metres of sandstone retaining wall adjacent to the eastbound carriageway completed

**November 2020 Upcoming Works:**

***Shared Path Bridge***

- Bridge and ramp street lighting and CCTV camera installation work
- Main span concrete hobs



- Concrete footpaths on both sides
- Installation of precast stairs
- Installation of new bus stop
- Progress construction of sandstone retaining wall
- Newcastle Road type 5 fence and mowing strip installation
- OOHW: Newcastle Asphalt Works (Application 16): 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> November
- OOHW: Traffic Light Decommissioning (Application 17): 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> November

**ER Activity:**

***Reviews/Approvals/Advice***

- Incident Report No. 009 (September) – Oil Spill: Review
- Stage 3, Package 1 Consistency Review - Detailed Design Changes: Review
- Stage 3, Package 1 Southern Utility Adjustments – Low Impact Work Submission: Review and approve
- OOHW No. 14: Bridge Ancillary Works: Review and approve
- Stage 1 House Demolition Minor Ancillary Facility: Review and approve
- OOHW No. 16: Asphalt Works: Review and approve

***Inspections***

- An inspection was held on 6th October 2020 with the ER, 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 6th October 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 October.

***Stop Work Notices***

- There were no Stop Work Notices in October.

***Incidents***

- There were no incidents in October.



**CEMP, CEMPP & Minister's Conditions of Approval**

**Reports**

- MCoA A26(k): Environmental Representative Monthly Report (September 2020) – Prepared and uploaded (DPIE Portal): 12th October 2020.

**Monitoring**

- No monitoring is required for the SPB.

**Community Consultation and Complaints**

- A complaint was received from a Coles Street resident regarding a water cart idling near property. The water cart driver was instructed to move and drivers were directed not to park on the street and remain within site.
- Communication with Coles Street residents impacted by partial road closures for concrete pours and deliveries going well.
- Upcoming OOHW notifications have been issued. Additional notification for Steel Street daytime closure to be issued shortly as well as December work early notification.

**Project Positives**

- The main bridge span was installed successfully on the night of 10 October, ahead of schedule. Many local residents attended to watch, and the public feedback has been positive.
- Daracon poured the concrete bridge deck utilising an innovative makeshift timber deck they constructed. The timber deck was moveable and allowed them to travel above and across the entire bridge span without contacting the freshly placed concrete. Refer to Images 6 and 7.
- No environmental incidents occurred during October.



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**Site Images – Stage 2: Shared Path Bridge, Jesmond**



**Image 1: Aerial view of works**



**Image 2: Shared Path Bridge span**



**Image 3: Southern works, Newcastle Road**







**Image 4: Coles Street**



**Image 5: Northern works, Newcastle Road**



**Image 6: Railed timber deck for concreting bridge deck**



**Image 7: Railed timber deck in operation**

