# REF display locations and community information session

More information is available in the REF documentation which is on display at a number of venues or on Roads and Maritime's website at **www.rms.nsw.gov.au/pinchpoints** 

# **Community Information Session**

Chiswick Community Centre, Corner Blackwell Road and Parkview Road, Chiswick **Tuesday 13 December 2016** from 4.30pm to 7.30pm

### **REF**

Concord Library, 60 Flavelle Street, Concord

Five Dock Library, Level 1. 4-12 Garfield Street. Five Dock

# **Next steps**

Prepare concept design

**Utility and survey investigation works** 

**Concept design phase** 

**Detailed design phase** 

**Review of Environmental Factors** 

Community consultation on the construction program

Finalise program and start construction

**Construction complete** 

# Further information and feedback

For more information about this proposal, please contact the project team on:



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Cars waiting on Parramatta Road to turn right into Great North Road, Five Dock













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Cars waiting at Parramatta Road and Great North Road intersection

# Intersection improvement Parramatta Road and Great North Road, Five Dock

December 2016

The NSW Government is funding this proposal as part of its \$246 million Pinch Point and Clearways Program which aims to reduce delays, manage congestion and improve travel times on Sydney's main roads, particularly during week day peak periods.

Roads and Maritime Services have prepared the Review of Environmental Factors (REF) for the Parramatta Road and Great North Road intersection improvement. We are inviting your comments on the REF by **Monday 19 December.** 

# **Background**

Roads and Maritime is proposing to provide an additional right turn lane from Parramatta Road into Great North Road to improve traffic efficiency at intersection.

The REF assesses the potential environmental effects associated with the construction and operation of the proposal, and outlines mitigation measures. It assesses a range of impacts including noise, property, construction, heritage and biodiversity.

For more information on these impacts, please view the following page. Alternatively, please see the back of this

update for more information on where to view the REF and how to speak with the project team.

# Proposed changes to the intersection of Parramatta Road and Great North Road, Five Dock

The proposal includes:

- Providing an additional right turn lane from Parramatta Road into Great North Road to increase capacity and stop queuing into the through traffic lanes
- Widening Parramatta Road on the northern side and Great North Road on the eastern side to accommodate the additional right turn lane
- Widening the bridge over Iron Cove Creek to accommodate the additional right turn lane

- Realigning the footpath on Parramatta Road and Great North Road
- Upgrading traffic lights and drainage
- Relocating utilities and services
- Removing around 40 metres of parking space on Great North Road. This will be changed to "No Stopping"
- Removing and replacing asphalt and line marking
- Landscaping.

# **Potential environmental impacts**

This section summarises several of the potential environmental and social impacts of the proposed Parramatta Road and Great North Road intersection improvement project. Throughout the project, Roads and Maritime would work on minimising any potential impacts on the community and the environment. After considering the REF and any submissions received, Roads and Maritime will make a determination early next year, whether the project will go ahead as proposed. Roads and Maritime will continue to inform the community and stakeholders as the project progresses.

To view the complete REF, please see the back of this update for more information on locations where it will be on public display, and the link to view the REF online.

## Noise

There would be noise associated with this work. Due to the impact that construction on state roads has on traffic, there are limits to when we can occupy the road space. As a result, work often needs to be carried out at night. Before construction, we would consult with the community on a night time construction schedule. We would make every effort to minimise noise and to manage any impacts from construction noise. Further details on construction hours and noise mitigation measures that we would consider are provided in the REF.

# Traffic

During construction, the community may experience temporary traffic delays, but traffic flow along Parramatta Road would be maintained. It is unlikely that lane closures would be implemented during day works, but for safety requirements, lane closures may be used during night works. Bus routes along Parramatta Road may also potentially be impacted.

#### **Access**

Vehicle and pedestrian access to residential and commercial properties would be maintained where possible for the duration of the project. It is possible that adjustments for the proposed work may impact some driveways to residential and commercial properties. If necessary, this would be carried out in consultation with property owners and access would be reinstated at the end of each shift. During construction, alternative access for pedestrians would be provided if required.

# Flora and fauna

There are no threatened flora species within the proposed work but some vegetation may require trimming or removal. The removal of this vegetation is not considered to have a substantial impact on flora species. Once construction is completed, landscaping will be carried out within the proposed site to offset any vegetation removed.

Removal of vegetation may result in a reduction of the natural habitat for fauna residing in the local area, however this impact is considered minor. There is one threatened species, the Eastern Benting-bat, which has been identified as having potential habitat within the proposed site. It is unlikely that the proposed work would have a significant impact on any fauna inhabiting the proposed site. The remaining vegetation in the local area would continue to provide natural habitat options for local fauna until construction is completed.

# Visual amenity

We understand that the local community values the visual amenity of their area. Due to the nature of a construction site, there would be temporary changes to the visual amenity of the area around the site during construction. The proposed work would result in some minor changes to the urban landscape due to pavement upgrades, removal of vegetation and changes to some commercial land to accommodate the widened road.

#### Air quality

Construction of the proposed bridge widening work over Iron Cove Creek may pose a risk to water quality during the construction period. Earthworks required for construction of new road pavement, pedestrian paths and utility adjustments could potentially impact water quality. With the implementation of the proposed safeguards and management measures, the risks to water quality would be minimal.

The proposed works may also potentially decrease the local air quality during construction. This is to be expected due to the nature of a construction site. Given the location of the works, alongside a heavily trafficked road, it is unlikely that the proposed work would have a substantial impact on the air quality in the local area.

**Intersection and proposed works** 

