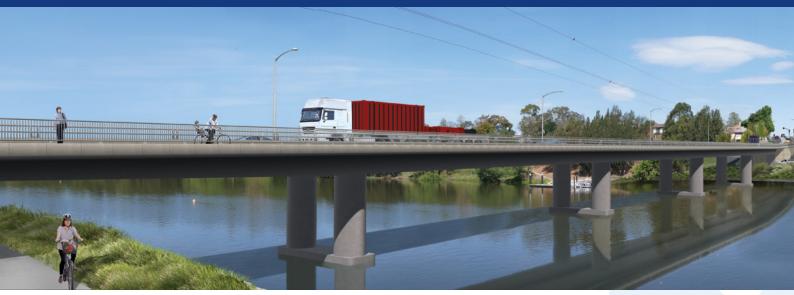


Windsor Bridge replacement project

Community update

September 2017



Artist's impression of the new Windsor Bridge

The NSW Government is building this bridge to provide a safe and reliable crossing over the Hawkesbury River at Windsor.

The existing Windsor Bridge is more than 140 years old, is deteriorating and has reached the end of its useful life. Roads and Maritime Services is planning to replace the existing Windsor Bridge with a new bridge 35 metres downstream.

New approach roads and intersections will be built and existing approach roads will be filled in and landscaped. The existing bridge will be removed once the new bridge is open to traffic.

Upcoming activities

During October, a range of activities will be taking place at various locations around the project site.

One activity to be carried out is salvage work, which will minimise the potential impacts on heritage sites within the project footprint. The salvage work will involve excavation in the northern-eastern part of Thompson Square, labelled as Area 1 in the following site map.

Salvage work is being performed in close consultation with Aboriginal stakeholders, to document and recover any ancient Aboriginal artefacts contained in the sand body within Area 1. The sand body material will be carefully excavated. It will then be wet screened by specialist staff to recover artefacts, and will be catalogued and analysed by archaeologists.

In addition, it is intended that maritime investigation and minor salvage may be carried out at the old wharf location in the Hawkesbury River, subject to approval.

This work is needed before construction as part of the project approval conditions and will take up to 20 weeks.

Roads and Maritime will also be carrying out baseline groundwater and surface water monitoring. The monitoring will take place at three borehole locations, two on the northern side of the river and one on the southern side.

The water quality monitoring program will start late September and take around six months to finish. Working hours are from 7am to 6pm, Mondays to Fridays and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays.

Next steps

The process of engaging the construction contractor will begin soon with Registrations of Interest being sought from experienced construction companies. This will be followed by a formal tender process with a contract to be awarded in early 2018. Construction is expected to start in mid-2018.

Roads and Maritime is also finalising the submissions report for the Urban Design and Landscape Plan. A copy of this report will be available on the Windsor Bridge Project page of the Roads and Maritime website in late September 2017.

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Salvage and heritage work map



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