



New Richmond Bridge and traffic improvements - Stage 1

October 2023



Australian Government



Transport for NSW acknowledges the Dharug people as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pays respect to Elders past and present.

Continuing early work for The Driftway upgrade until Wednesday 31 January 2024

The Australian and NSW Governments have committed \$500 million for the New Richmond Bridge and traffic improvements project, that includes a new bridge over the Hawkesbury River between Richmond and North Richmond.

The project is divided into two stages to deliver early safety benefits to the community. Stage 1 includes upgrades to The Driftway between Londonderry and Blacktown roads. The remainder of the project will be delivered in Stage 2.

What work are we doing?

Transport for NSW started early work on the project in April this year and we have recently completed road corridor and tree surveys.

The early work includes building and relocating additional water mains at various locations along The Driftway between Blacktown Road and Londonderry Road.

This water main work was due to be complete in October 2023. However, we have needed to resolve some technical challenges with the design of this work and rescheduled this program. Our early work will continue and is expected to be complete by late January 2024.

Activities continuing on site include:

- Environmental and geotechnical investigations, including drilling boreholes
- Underground utility investigation and if required, potholing

- Building and relocating additional watermains at various locations along The Driftway
- Trenching, installing, backfilling, compacting, reconnecting, and commissioning all new watermains
- Clearing trees and vegetation
- Restoring and cleaning up work areas when finished.

When and where we'll be working

We will be working along The Driftway between Blacktown Road and Londonderry Road.

Daytime work is between 7am and 6pm on weekdays and between 8am and 1pm on Saturdays.

If any night work is needed, we will notify you seven days before this work starts. Night work hours would be between 8pm and 7am from Sunday to Thursday. No work will be carried out during public holidays.

How will the work affect you?

Our work may be noisy at times. However, we implement noise control measures to minimise the impact. This includes staging the work along different parts of the work zone to minimise disruption in the same area.

If work is required on your property, a Transport representative will contact you in advance to discuss work involved including property access. We typically will not need to enter your house and you do not need to be at

home when the work happens, but we will discuss any requirements with you.

Acoustic Treatments

We are continuing to work with some property owners on noise mitigation for their properties. Noise mitigation work is required when predicted traffic modelling suggests future noise at the property will exceed acceptable levels.

Details about noise modelling for Stage 1 is included in the project's Review of Environmental Factors (REF).

Traffic changes

While we will try minimising disruption to traffic, temporary traffic changes will be required at times to ensure the work zone is safe and reduced speed limits may be in place. Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs.

For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

Thank you for your patience during this work.

Location of work



KEY  Location of work  Main road

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