

February 2023

Maintenance closure and detour arrangements on the M1 Pacific Motorway from Monday 20 February

The NSW Government is funding essential maintenance work on the M1 Pacific Motorway between the Hunter Expressway and John Renshaw Drive intersection.

Transport for NSW will carry out the work, which includes road resurfacing and repairs, improving drains and road shoulders, bridge maintenance, litter collection and mowing.

We will be working between **7.30pm** and **4.30am** from **Monday** to **Thursday** and expect to complete the work in **four nights**, weather permitting. We will let you know in advance if we need to do any work outside these times.

To ensure the safety of workers, we will close the 10-kilometre section of the motorway at night while we work. Over the four nights, about 50 workers and 10 individual plant will complete a large volume of work, which would not be possible under single lane closures.

The work means the motorway will be safer and cleaner for motorists and the road will be kept in an optimal condition.

Traffic changes

Monday 20 to Tuesday 21 February – Southbound carriageway

- The southbound carriageway of the M1 will be closed to traffic over **two nights** between **7.30pm** and **4.30am**.
- A detour will be in place for all southbound motorists via John Renshaw Drive and the Hunter Expressway, as shown in the enclosed map.
- The detour is expected to add around 10 kilometres to journeys, which is about 10 to 15 minutes travel time.
- The northbound carriageway will remain open.

Wednesday 22 to Thursday 23 February – Northbound carriageway

- The northbound carriageway of the M1 will be closed over **two nights** to traffic between **7.30pm** and **4.30am**.
- A detour will be in place for all northbound motorists via the Hunter Expressway and John Renshaw Drive, as shown in the enclosed map.
- The detour is expected to add around 10 kilometres to journeys, which is about 10 to 15 minutes travel time.

- The southbound carriageway will remain open.

Electronic message signs will be in place to give advance notice of changed traffic conditions and help motorists plan their journeys. During the closure the detour route will be clearly signposted.

No work will be carried out on the detour route during the closure to help minimise further impacts to journey times.

Contingency dates

While we expect to finish the work overnight on Thursday 23 February, closure may also be required between **7.30pm** and **4.30am** on **Monday 27 February** and **Tuesday 28 February** as a wet weather contingency option. Electronic message signs will direct motorists if an additional night closure is required.

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.

Temporary access changes to local roads

During the M1 maintenance closure temporary access changes on some local roads will be in place for residents in Black Hill, Buttai, Lenaghan, Minmi and Stockrington.

If you live around the closure area, please allow extra travel time as your journey may take up to an extra 10 minutes, depending on your destination. Alternative access arrangements are outlined below, and the attached map helps better explain the closure and the detour route.

Lenaghans Drive closure:

- Lenaghans Drive will be closed just north of Wayaba Road for the southbound M1 carriageway closure from **Monday 20 February to Tuesday 21 February** during work hours.
- Access into and out of Lenaghan, Minmi and Stockrington will be on Lenaghans Drive via Black Hill Road or Lenaghans Drive (Woodford Street) via Newcastle Link Road.

Black Hill Road closure:

- Black Hill Road will be closed for the northbound M1 carriageway closure from **Wednesday 22 to Thursday 23 February** during work hours.
- Access into and out of Black Hill and Buttai will be on Black Hill Road via Lenaghans Drive or utilising John Renshaw Drive as part of the detour route.
- Residents of Minmi, Fletcher, Stockrington and Lenaghan are advised to use the Cardiff exit via George Booth Drive and Cameron Park Drive.

How will the work affect you?

The work will involve the use of machinery which generates some noise. We will make every effort to minimise noise by turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use.

Contact

If you have any questions and for more information, please contact our Project Manager, Saurav GC, during business hours on (02) 4983 5901 or email rav.gc@transport.nsw.gov.au

For any concerns outside business hours on the scheduled dates for the motorway closure please phone 0499 320 955 for assistance.

For more information on our projects, visit roads.waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au

Thank you for your patience during this important work.

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