

Prospect Highway upgrade Construction Update



The Australian and NSW Governments are upgrading Prospect Highway between Reservoir Road, Prospect and St Martins Crescent, Blacktown to reduce congestion and help meet future traffic demands on this corridor.

What have we achieved so far?

Since our last update, we have:

- removed the temporary speed restriction on the M4, returning this section to 100km/h in time for the holiday season
- completed the widening of the Harrod Street intersection thanks to the support and patience of the community
- commenced laying asphalt for the new northbound lanes of the Prospect Highway
- begun painting noise walls and installing the top acrylic panel



M4 speed restriction was lifted, returning to 100km/h in time for the holiday season.

What's next on Prospect Highway?

From March through to May, several key construction milestones will take place. Our focus will be on work between the Foundation Place intersection and Bungarribee Road.

Key works will include:

- installation of barriers, shared pathway, street lighting and asphalt on the bridges over the Great Western Highway and M4
- construction of retaining walls and noise walls along the northbound and southbound boundaries
- installation of barriers, shared pathway, street lighting and asphalt on the new pedestrian underpass linking Sher Place and Old Church Lane
- construction of new pavement at Reservoir Road, and Keyworth Drive
- installation of safety barriers, signage and relocation of utilities
- stormwater drainage installation including around St Martins Crescent
- property adjustment works
- removal of existing curb, guttering and median islands
- landscaping and planting of vegetation
- earthworks, including hammering, drilling and excavation

How will the work affect you?

Our work will be noisy at times, but we will do everything we can to lessen the disturbance including using non-tonal reversing alarms, switching off vehicles when not in use and staging the work in different locations. Any noisy work such as cutting road pavement will be undertaken before 11pm whenever possible.

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Where will work take place?

Prospect Highway Upgrade construction work area



Stormwater and utilities installation

From March through to May, the team will continue relocation and installation of several utilities and stormwater drainage underneath and adjacent to Prospect Highway.

We are trying to carry out as much of these works as possible during the day, behind barriers or using a small tunnel under the road. Some of these works need to take place at night when there is less traffic and it is safer for our workers and for motorists.

These works may be noisy at times. We will limit high noise activities to take place before 11pm.

These works are being done to allow the widening of the road, to install the additional drainage required and the traffic lights along Prospect Highway.

Intersection Pavement Works

In the coming months, we will be carrying out major pavement works at some of the intersections and key areas along Prospect Highway. These works involve excavating out sections of the existing roadway, bringing in a new foundation layer and then asphaltting the surface and line marking.

These works will occur 24 hours a day for between three and five days at a time, for one to two weeks, as works need to be completed continuously to safely construct the new roadway.

Reservoir Road

The next intersection we will be working on is Prospect Highway and Reservoir Road.

These works will commence in March and will be completed over one to two weeks, subject to weather and approvals. **Works will occur day and night between Sunday evening and Friday afternoon.** No work will occur on weekends at this location during this period.

There will be changed traffic conditions at this intersection. During the work period, access to and from Reservoir Road will be closed between Prospect Highway and Picrite Close. Local traffic will continue to be able to access Reservoir Road via the M4 Motorway. We will contact local residents and businesses closer to the date.

Keyworth Drive

Work is scheduled to begin in May and will be completed over one to two weeks, subject to weather and approvals. **Works will occur day and night between Sunday evening and Friday afternoon.** No work will occur on weekends at this location during this period.

There will be changed traffic conditions at this intersection. During the work period, access to and from Keyworth Drive will be closed. Local traffic will continue to be able to access Prospect Highway via Tudor Avenue. We will contact residents and businesses closer to the date.

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Painting underway at the noise wall near Lancelot Street.

Our work schedule

During this time, our work hours will be:

- Day – Monday to Sunday: 7am to 6pm.
- Night – Sunday to Thursday: 8pm to 5am.

We will be working from **Wednesday 1 March 2023 to Wednesday 28 May 2023**, weather permitting.

Night work will be carried out on some days at specific locations. These night works are required to lessen the disruption to traffic and improve safety for workers and road users.

Our intersection pavement works will be **24 hours a day** for between three and five days at a time

We will not be working on public holidays.

Traffic changes

During construction, the speed limit on this section of the Great Western Highway has been reduced to 60km/hr. Within the work zone, further temporary speed reductions will be in place particularly during night works.

There may also be changes to traffic conditions on Blacktown Road and Prospect Highway. Please keep to speed limits and follow signs and traffic controllers' directions. Our work may affect travel times so please allow additional travel time. For the latest traffic updates, call 132 701, visit www.livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

Temporary relocation or closure of bus stops

As works progress on Prospect Highway, some bus stops will need to be temporarily closed or relocated to construct new pavement, kerb and the shared pathway. Changes will be advised at individual bus stops in advance of these changes to inform customers of the alternate bus stop locations.

Lane closures and ramp closures on the Great Western Highway and M4 Motorway

Scheduled overnight lane closures and detours on the Great Western Highway and M4 Motorway will continue from **Wednesday 1 March 2023 to Wednesday 28 May 2023** to ensure the work zone is safe as we carry out works to install parts for the new bridges over these roads, construct new ramp pavements and complete stabilisation works on either side of the new bridges.

Electronic messaging signage will be activated in both directions, and traffic control and further reduced speed limits will be in place during work hours for the safety of workers and road users. Completion of all work will depend on weather and site conditions and is subject to change.

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Temporary closure of Tudor Avenue

From April we will be temporarily closing Tudor Avenue for **up to 12 weeks** while we complete construction of the new pavement and intersection in this area.

Electronic messaging signage will be in place, and traffic control will be in place during work hours for the safety of workers and road users. Completion of all work is dependent on several factors, including weather and site conditions and is subject to change.

During this time, local residents will be directed to use Keyworth Drive as an alternative access to and from Prospect Highway.

The detour is only expected to add two minutes of travel time. We will provide more details, including a detour map, closer to the start of works.



Laying permanent asphalt near the new pedestrian underpass.

CONTACT US

If you have any questions, please contact our Community Team. Call or email us.



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