

Jervis Bay Road intersection upgrade

Project update

May 2024



Artist's impression of the intersection upgrade.

The Australian and NSW governments are delivering the Princes Highway and Jervis Bay Road intersection upgrade at Falls Creek. The new intersection will improve safety and reduce congestion along the Princes Highway corridor providing the main east-west link to the coastal villages of Huskisson, Vincentia, Hyams Beach and Jervis Bay.

What has happened so far



The Jervis Bay Road intersection upgrade project team mobilised to site in late 2023. So far we have worked on:

- site establishment
- vegetation clearing
- safety barriers and signage installation
- utility location and survey establishment
- setting up a strong project team, combining Transport for NSW and SRG Global staff who are local to the area and have worked 27,749 hours collectively to the end of April 2024.

What happens next



You will see us out on site a lot more. Over the coming months we will be:

- completing all clearing activities
- carrying out the majority of utility and service relocation work, including water, electrical and telecommunications to enable further work
- carrying out drainage work.



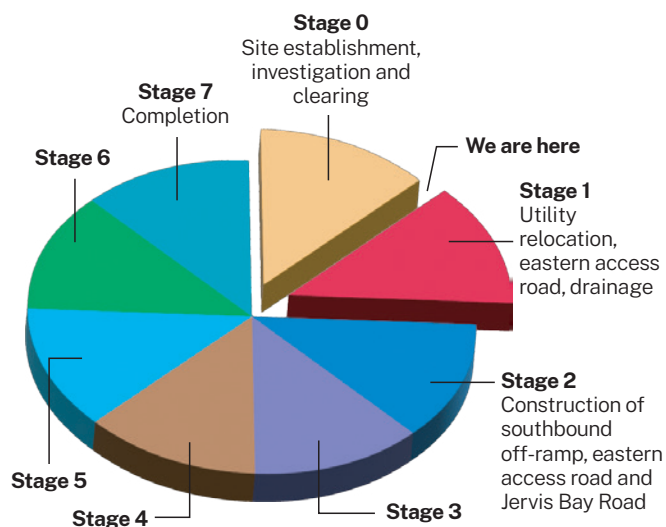
Underground utilities and services are being relocated to allow construction

Transport for NSW acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which the project is being built and pay our respect to Elders past and present.

Next stages of our construction program

The project's construction is currently split into seven stages. As we progress, we'll share with you the work happening in the current and upcoming stages.

We are nearing completion of Stage 0 and moving into Stage 1.



Have you seen this truck and wondered what it does?

Commonly referred to as a “sucker truck”, this piece of machinery is used to locate underground utilities without the risk of damage. Damage to underground infrastructure is also known as non-destructive excavation. A high-pressure hose shoots water into the ground while a high-power vacuum sucks the mud slurry back up, leaving a clear and exposed hole which allows us to confirm the location of existing utilities to help plan the relocations.

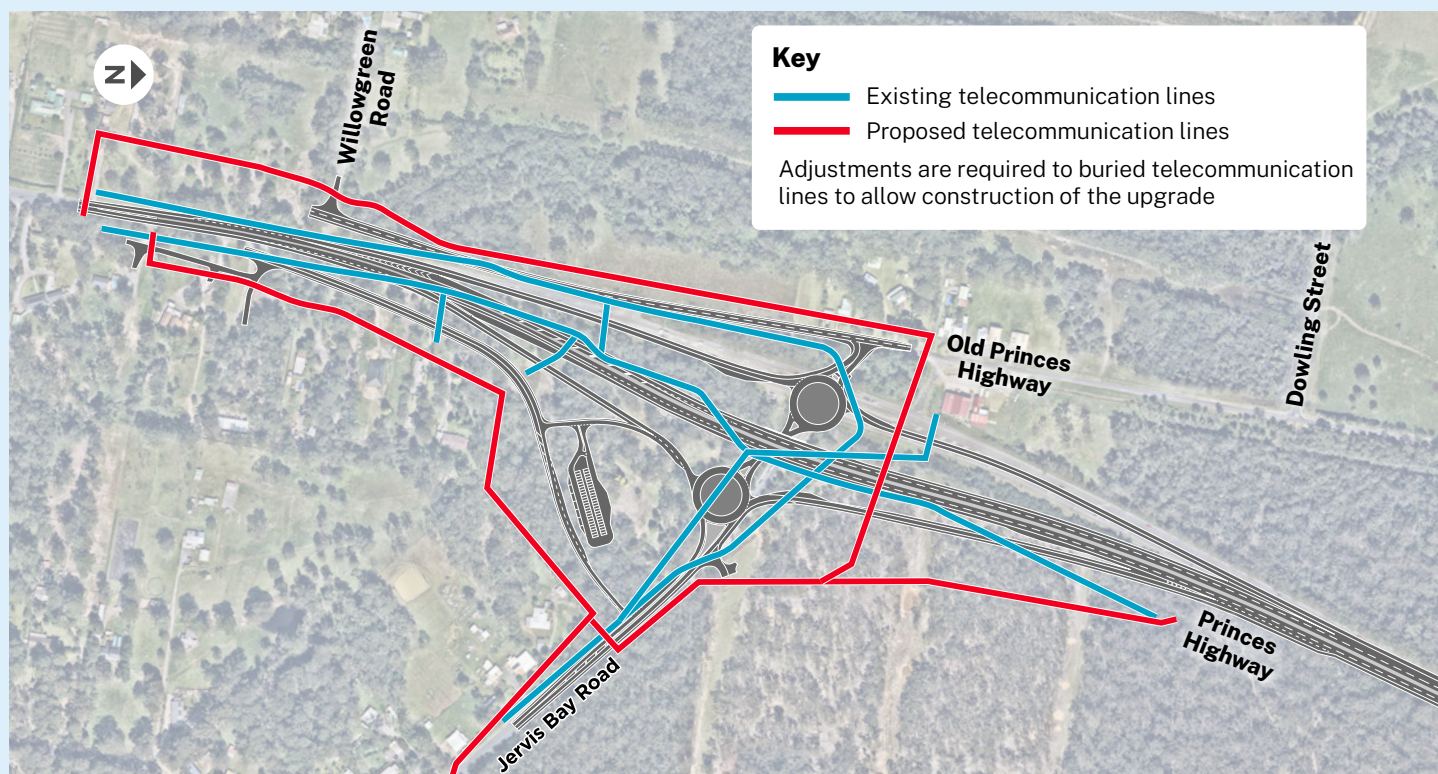


The "sucker truck" in action.

Stage 1

Utility relocations

We need to relocate various utilities to allow for the construction of the new roads and bridge. This includes the relocation of **3.2 kilometres of telecommunication cables, 2.3 kilometres of overhead power lines and 1.5 kilometres of water pipes**. These utility relocations may cause some service disruptions to nearby residents and we will work with those impacted and the utility providers to minimise disruption times.



Proposed changes to placement of telecommunication lines to allow construction of the upgrade.

Upcoming: Stage 2

Construction of southbound off-ramp and eastern access road

Stage 2 sees the realignment of Jervis Bay Road to allow the start of the bridge construction. During this stage, we will be:

- continuing site-wide drainage work
- building a large drain, known as a “culvert”, on the eastern side of the existing highway
- bringing in fill for the northern embankment
- building the Jervis Bay Road pavement.

Key facts on the new interchange bridge

The bridge is expected to take just under a year to build. Piling enabling work is scheduled to start in late 2024, with final surfacing applied in late 2025.

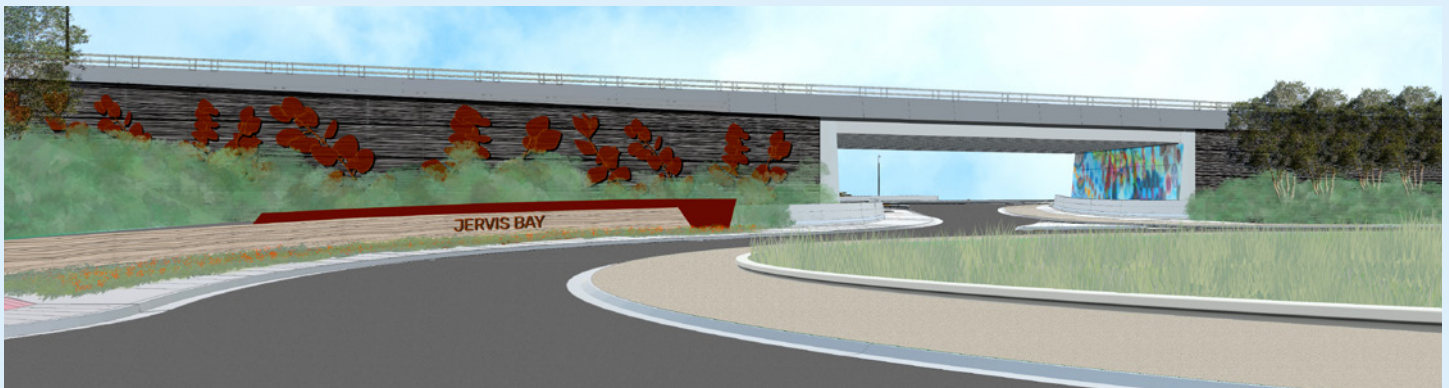
Type: New integral bridge

Width: 24.1 metres

Height: 5.4 metres

Length: 29.1 metres

Lanes: Two lanes in both directions



Artist's impression of the roundabout and new bridge including landscaping and tree planting.

Vegetation clearing and how we manage the impacts

We are dedicated to enhancing biodiversity and restoring wildlife habitats. We understand the clearing of trees and vegetation around the site has changed the way the area looks, so we have worked hard to implement mitigation measures to offset this impact to ensure we are compliant with all environmental regulations.

How we manage wildlife during and after clearing

- Fauna handling and rescue and relocation procedures will manage displaced, injured, shocked, dependent juveniles or other native animals discovered during the construction of the project.
- A rope crossing and glider poles will be installed within the identified regional biodiversity corridor to enable gliders and other tree-dwelling fauna to cross.

Providing a home to local wildlife

We have trained local arborists in using innovative tools to help displaced wildlife, called habitat hollows. This Australian-developed technology carves out new

shelters for native fauna without harming the trees. As opposed to traditional nest boxes that sit outside the tree, carved hollows are lodged within the tree trunk and require less maintenance. They are used by a broad range of wildlife including microbats, owls, possums and parrots. Scan the link below for more information on this innovative tool and to watch our video.



An arborist installing a habitat hollow on site.

Site visit from the Premier of NSW



The Hon. Chris Minns Premier of NSW visited the site in February for an update on the project status and to announce the imminent start of major work.

Mr Minns also took the opportunity to meet with locals who were excited to see the work getting under way. The Premier was joined by Regional Transport and Roads Minister Jenny Aitchison as well as State and Federal parliament members.



Federal MPs Kristy McBain (left) and Fiona Phillips (second from right) and State MPs Liza Butler (right) and Jenny Aitchison (second from left) with Chris Minns MP Premier of NSW.

Our team in the community



The project team recently took part in the 2024 Shimano Husky Triathlon Festival. Staff from SRG Global and Transport entered three teams and one individual in the Sprint race which consisted of a 750-metre swim, 20-kilometre bike ride and five-kilometre run.

While we didn't come away with any podium finishes, we enjoyed a great day being involved in one of the largest annual events in our region.

Our project team is made up of a workforce that is local to the South Coast and we look forward to continue participating in and supporting more local events.



The Transport team competing at the 2024 Shimano Husky Triathlon Festival.

Contact us



For questions and enquiries please use the contact details below. The project does not have a community display centre, however we are happy to arrange face-to-face meetings on request.



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