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Community Update

Medlow Bath Upgrade

October 2024







Aerial photo of the Medlow Bath Upgrade

Together, the Australian and NSW Governments are investing in the Medlow Bath Upgrade which will reduce congestion and improve safety and accessibility for all road users, commuters and pedestrians.

Work is progressing on the Medlow Bath Upgrade, with the project on track to be finished in mid 2025.

Works along Station Street and Railway Parade are almost complete.

Key construction activities on the Great Western Highway in the coming months will involve a few traffic switches onto newly constructed sections of road to facilitate work to expand the Highway.

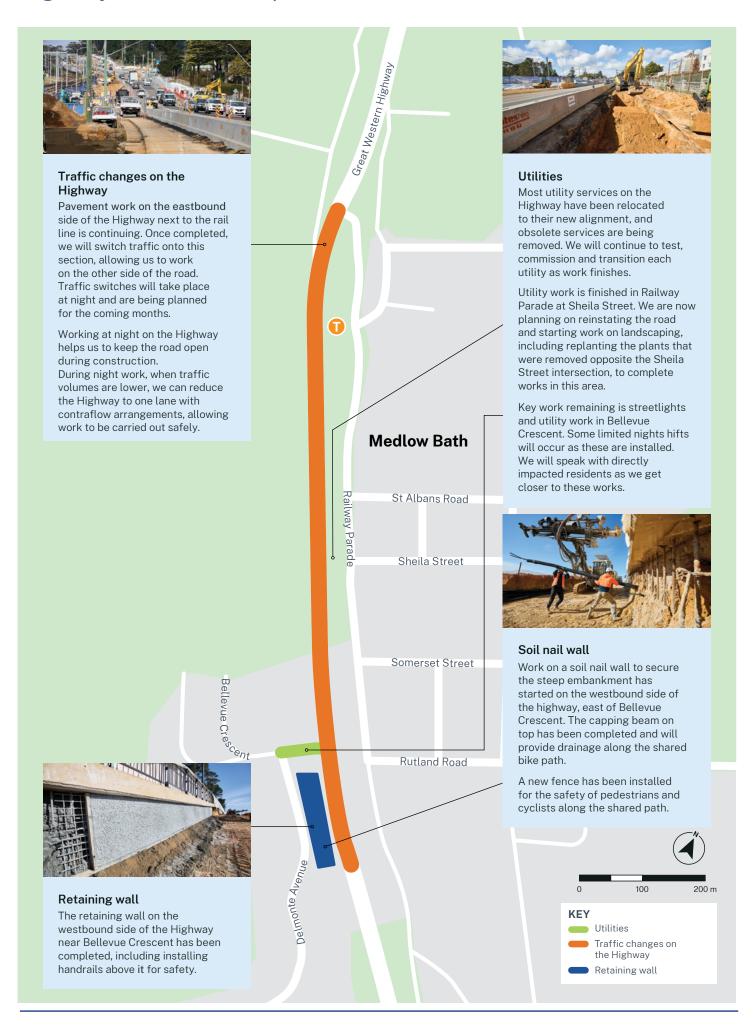
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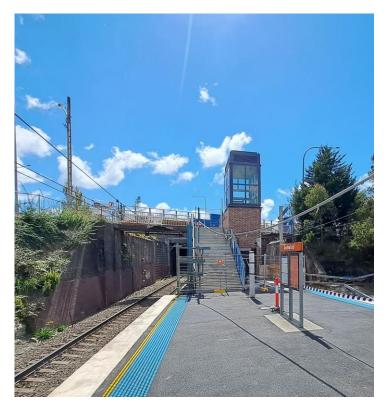
Find out about:

- upcoming construction activities on the highway
- pedestrian bridge and station upgrade works
- our next 'Coffee and a Chat' event
- Abergeldie Pre-Employment Program
- how we are managing noise impacts.



Highway construction update





Platform extension at Medlow Bath Station

Pedestrian bridge and station upgrade

Work on the Medlow Bath Station upgrade has continued with a focus on the larger elements of the project, including lift shafts, walkways, retaining walls, and enabling works for the pedestrian bridge construction. During the Sydney Trains rail shutdown weekend in March, we installed precast culverts, steel elements, and parts of the lift. Additionally, we installed precast stairs and extended and resurfaced the platform.

The rail possession weekend in May gave us another opportunity to complete important works, including installing precast elements and stair handrails, platform resurfacing, finalising embankment works, and installing platform lights and temporary bridge support services.

With these works complete, focus has now shifted towards the new pedestrian walkway and 'kiss and ride' area in Railway Parade.

We've also started building the bridge, with a Western Sydney business selected to make the curved steel box girders that comprise the unique form of the Medlow Bath Pedestrian Bridge. The first sections of the bridge were lifted into place in early September.



Coffee and a Chat

Over the past few months we have been running a Coffee and a Chat at the Potbelly Café. These sessions have been well attended and are a great opportunity for the community to meet the project team, learn more about project activities and raise any concerns.

We would like to thank the community who have connected with us, as well as the staff from Potbelly who continue to welcome us and all our attendees.

We will continue this program at the Potbelly Café on the last Wednesday of each month between 10am and 12pm.

Upcoming dates:

- Wednesday, 30 October
- Wednesday, 27 November



The precast walkway installed in March at Medlow Bath Station.



First parts of the pedestrian bridge being lifted into place in early September.



Successful participants of the pre-employment program

Abergeldie pre-employment program

Our lead contractor, Abergeldie, collaborated with VERTO and Workforce Australia to run a pre-employment program that provided an opportunity for jobseekers to gain experience, qualifications, and potential employment.

From April to May this year, participants gained work experience in:

- working at heights
- first aid
- safety in construction
- materials handling
- environmental sustainability
- workplace communication and wellbeing.

Eleven long-term unemployed Blue Mountains locals took part in the program. Since graduation, some are working on the Medlow Bath Upgrade and others are with local labour hire companies.

Congratulations to those who graduated and received formal accreditation on Thursday 16 May.



Reducing noise impacts

We recognise temporary noise from construction works can be an inconvenience.

Our standard daytime construction hours are 7am-6pm, Monday to Friday, and 8am-4pm on Saturdays.

When we need to work on (or near) the Highway, we must work outside of these hours to allow us to close a lane. This reduces traffic impacts and makes sure workers, pedestrians and motorists are safe.

We complete noise assessments for all night work and, where there will be significant noise impacts for properties, we offer those residents alternative accommodation. We have also provided noise cancelling headphones and noise blankets during our work to help reduce the impact.

Our approved out-of-hours work schedule and requirements are as follows:

- Monday to Thursday, 6pm-7am, up to three nights per week
- no more than two consecutive night shifts
- no more than one week of night work per fortnight in the one area
- aim to complete noisier activities before midnight.

Emergency night work is an exception. For safety reasons, Transport allows work to be done without notification to the community when it is urgent.

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