

Hawkesbury River Railway Bridge

Frequently asked questions

Project Scope

What are the key features of the project?

Sydney Trains is carrying out maintenance work on the Hawkesbury River Railway Bridge to improve safety and protect the steel structure from weathering. The project is currently in construction and expected to be completed in 2034. (Estimated project completion times are subject to change.)

Why is work required on the Hawkesbury River Railway Bridge?

Over the past decade, several maintenance and upgrade needs have been identified for the bridge. Most of the work will focus on the bridge structure, with some minor works and supporting activities at the landings and surrounding areas. Additional strengthening is also being investigated but is not part of the current project scope.

What benefits will the project deliver?

Removal of the existing, lead-based paint and repainting of the entire bridge will protect the steel structure from the effects of weather and the surrounding environment from the effects of lead-based paint.

Will there be a change in train services as a result of the planned work on the Hawkesbury River Railway Bridge?

No. There will be no impact to train services during out works.



Project Delivery

How is the work being delivered?

The maintenance work on Hawkesbury River Railway Bridge is expected to be completed in 2034. Work will take place from **7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday** and **8am to 1pm on Saturdays**.

Track possessions will be required to carry out some of the works safely, requiring up to five weekend possessions per year, for the duration of the project. Please note that these are the same weekend possessions that typically occur throughout the year to carry out maintenance work. No additional weekend possessions beyond these are planned for this project.

The specific work elements that make up the project include:

- Blast and paint
- Removal of high priority defects
- Installation of walkway for maintenance purposes

Equipment may be delivered to the worksite outside the above times. Some deliveries may occur at night due to daytime travel restrictions on large vehicles. Finishing works may take place following this period, including the removal of equipment.

Consultation

Transport for NSW aims to minimise disruption during the work and keep the community informed about the benefits of each stage of the project. It is important that stakeholders understand what the project involves and how they might be affected both during construction and once the work is completed.

Contact us





How will consultation occur?

Project information will be provided, and the community will be invited to provide feedback via project updates, a dedicated project webpage, and in person events. Key stakeholder groups will be contacted directly, while passengers and the local community will receive notifications in their letterbox.

The community is invited to sign up to a project distribution list to ensure they're kept informed as the project progresses. Please email projects@transport.nsw.gov.au to request to be added to the email list.

Will you be holding community information sessions?

A community information session was held at The Cottage at 10 Dangar Road, Brooklyn on Tuesday 12 August from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

How will the community be kept informed?

We will continue to keep the community informed throughout the construction period with regular notifications being distributed to residents and frequent updates published on our website.

If you would like to receive further information or project updates, please contact us by calling 1800 684 490 or email projects@transport.nsw.gov.au.

For all urgent enquiries or complaints regarding construction activities, please call us 24-hours on 1800 684 490.

Construction

When will the work begin?

Maintenance work on Hawkesbury River Bridge is underway. Work will take place from 7am to 6pm, Monday to Friday and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays.

Mobilisation will begin on Monday 29 September with an initial increase in traffic. Most deliveries are scheduled outside peak hours to minimise local impact. Traffic control will be in place at the Dangar Road wharf access during mobilisation to ensure safety for pedestrians and motorists.

Once mobilisation is completed, most of the material will be delivered by barge from Rozelle directly to the worksite to mitigate impact on local traffic and the community.

What noise and vibration impacts are expected and how will these be managed?

This project may create additional noise over the weekend and weekend nights during weekend possessions.

There will be noise impacts during the midweek work however these will be within the allowable working limits. We will conduct a noise assessment after the works start to confirm this.

What other impacts can be expected while the work takes place?

Heavy vehicles will use local streets to access the worksite. We will be utilising the wharf access road off Dangar Road at Hawkesbury River Station for access of machinery, vehicles, and workers to the worksite. This will result in an increased volume of traffic on the wharf access road, mainly outside of peak hours.

No parking impacts are expected for this project as our work team will park their vehicles on Long Island near the worksite.

More Information

Where can I find more information about this project?

For more project information, visit <u>Hawkesbury River</u> Railway Bridge Maintenance | Transport for NSW

Project upgrades and feedback can also be received by contacting 1800 684 490 or at projects@transport.nsw.gov.au.



