Transport for NSW



Manilla Viaduct Permanent Make Safe Work

Country Regional Network

October 2025





Transport for NSW acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pays respect to Elders past and present.

Transport for NSW will commence permanent make safe works at the non-operational Manilla Viaduct from mid-October 2025.

The Manilla viaduct is a heritage-listed structure over the Namoi River, recognised for its historical, technical, and aesthetic significance.

Since March 2024, Transport for NSW have installed a number of temporary make safe measures, balancing both public safety and heritage considerations.

Transport for NSW has been working closely with Council to refine the scope of works for permanent make safe works and has now obtained all relevant heritage approvals to implement these measures.

These works are essential to maintain public safety and preserve the bridge's heritage value.

What work are we doing?

The work will be undertaken in accordance with approved heritage exemptions to ensure full compliance. The work will include:

- assessment of the shipping container at Showground East entrance to explore reinstating permanent vehicle access
- gates installed along the showground boundary fence to reinstate pedestrian access near River Street
- removal of loose debris and deteriorated timber elements

- installation of netting, debris exclusion measures, and fencing along the full length of the structure
- road design reviews at River Street, Bowman Street, and Showground West entrance
- general maintenance to ensure structural stability and safe passage beneath all spans
- · vegetation management.

When and where we'll be working

Works will take place at the Manilla Viaduct and surrounding streets, including Namoi Street, River Street, Bowman Street, and Showground entrances.

This will take place from 13 October to late December 2025.

Working hours are **7am to 6pm**, Monday to Friday, and **7am to 1pm**, Saturday.

What will this mean for you?

You may notice:

- workers and vehicles on site
- traffic controllers and signage
- road closures and reduced speed limits
- footpath closures and detours for pedestrians and cyclists
- noise from machinery and equipment
- vegetation management activities.



Managing our impacts

We aim to minimise impacts to the community and environment by:

- installing fencing for safety and security.
- installing signage to indicate work sites.
- reducing noise as much as possible.
- all works will be undertaken in accordance with approved heritage exemptions to meet heritage requirements.

Location of work area



Legend Manilla viaduct Fencing work Vegetation management Changes to traffic conditions General maintenance

Community Engagement

Transport is committed to keeping the community informed and will do this using a variety of communication channels such as email, community notifications, social media and our project website.

Stay up-to-date

For more information on this project or to sign up as a subscriber, visit our project website: **bit.ly/manillaviaduct**.

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