Transport for NSW



Mount Ousley Road shared path bridge

Have your say

April 2025





Transport for NSW (Transport) is progressing design work for a pedestrian and cyclist shared path over Mount Ousley Road. You are invited to have your say on the concept design by 2 May 2025.

Background

Transport has been carrying out early design and planning work for a shared path connection, including a bridge over Mount Ousley Road.

The shared path will provide a new, accessible and safe active transport connection for people walking and cycling between the University of Wollongong and Wollongong TAFE precincts and suburbs to the north.

In recent months we have been working with Wollongong City Council, community groups and other stakeholders to develop a preliminary concept design for the shared path. We are now seeking your feedback on the design.

What we have done so far

In recent months we have:

 developed a preliminary design for the shared path bridge and ramps that improves active transport connections through the area, while maintaining critical access to Port Kembla for overheight vehicles

- met with local community groups, residents and other stakeholders to share initial designs and gain local insight into issues that need to be considered in the design of the bridge and connections
- refined the design in response to feedback, particularly to minimise impacts to vegetation, improve connectivity to surrounding streets and enhance safety features
- commenced preliminary environmental impact assessment work.

What we heard

During this early consultation with stakeholders, we heard it is important that the design of the shared path connection:

- minimises environmental impacts, including impacts to Aboriginal heritage, trees and vegetation and visual amenity
- creates a safe and accessible connection across
 Mount Ousley Road that maximises use
- is accessible for a range of different types of users and abilities
- improves safety for people walking and cycling across Mount Ousley Road and on Dumfries Avenue
- considers sustainability in its construction and throughout its lifespan
- integrates with its surrounds and responds to its location at the northern gateway to Wollongong
- · can be safely and efficiently built and maintained.



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

What is proposed

The preliminary concept design for the shared path connection and bridge includes:

- a new accessible four-metre-wide shared path for pedestrians and cyclists that incorporates a bridge over Mount Ousley Road, adjacent to McMahon Street
- connections from the southern side of Mount Ousley Road to other planned shared paths across the M1 Princes Motorway and towards Wollongong TAFE
- a designated, accessible, raised pedestrian crossing at Dumfries Avenue, approximately 120 metres west of McMahon Street
- a 130-metre-long shared path along the southern side of Dumfries Avenue, connecting the new bridge to the new pedestrian crossing
- traffic calming measures along Dumfries Avenue to the east and west of the crossing, to provide for a safer road environment
- stairs, with a wheeling channel for cyclists to more easily move bikes up and down the stairs, helping to provide access to the north and east
- landscaping and revegetation, along with urban design treatments.

Potential impacts

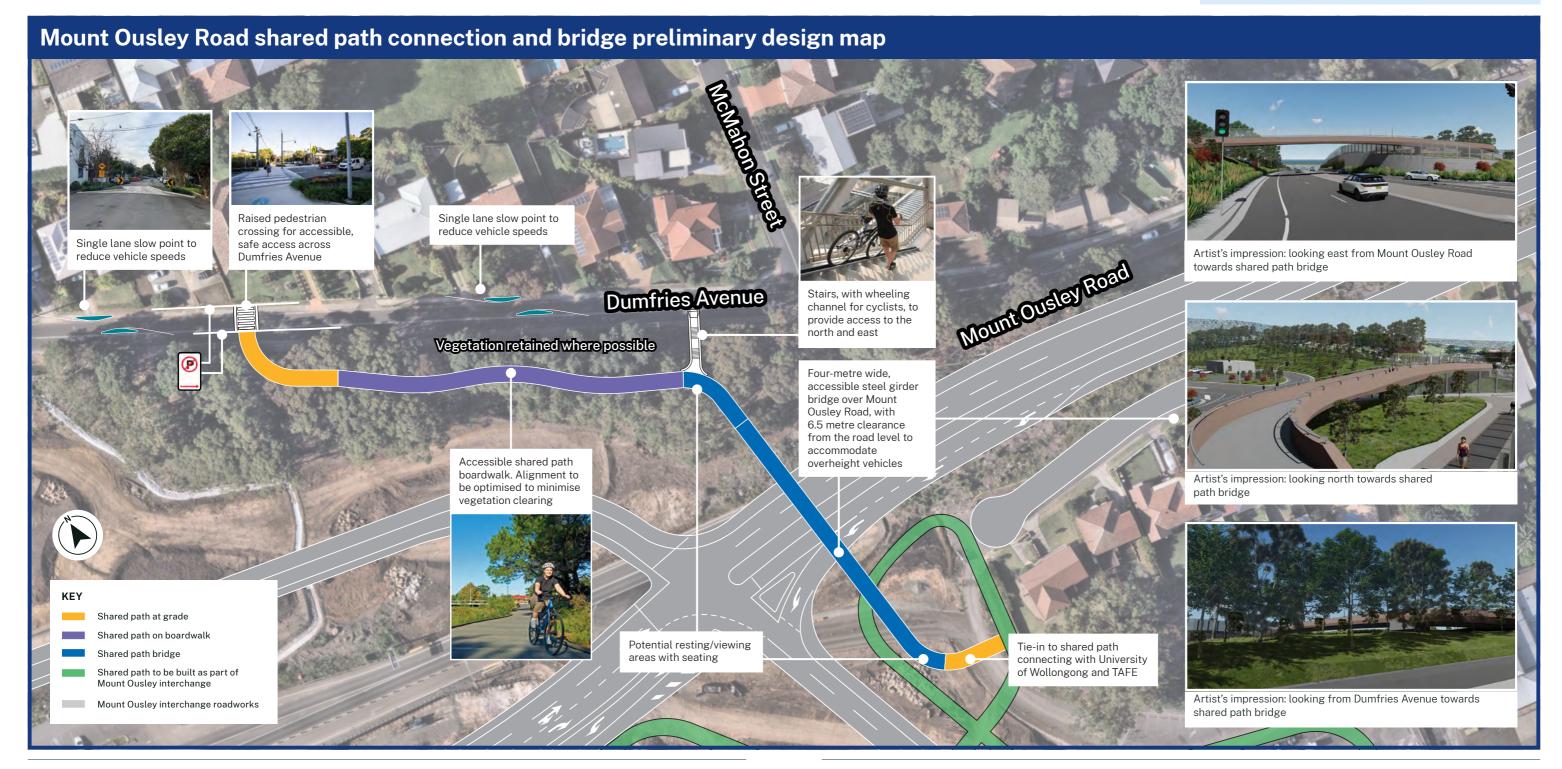
The construction of the shared path connection and bridge will result in some environmental impacts. Potential impacts include vegetation clearing, noise, vibration and dust from construction, impacts to parking and visual impacts including light spill.

These impacts will be further assessed over the coming months and will be minimised as much as possible through detailed design and mitigation measures that will be implemented during construction.

Urban design approach

The steel through-girder bridge design will integrate well in this setting, allowing the natural landscape to dominate and continue to be the key quality of this location.

Opportunities exist to shape and colour the girder and include artwork on bridge structures and throw screens which could incorporate themes of cultural interpretation. These will be developed as part of a Designing with Country process in consultation with Aboriginal stakeholders.



Have your say

Transport is seeking your feedback on the preliminary concept design for the shared path connection and bridge.

This process plays an important role in the project's development and provides an opportunity for you to have your say.

You can provide your feedback by scanning the QR code or by visiting https://www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/ mount-ousley-road-shared-path-bridge.



The consultation period closes on 2 May 2025.

Following the consultation period, we will share a summary of feedback received with the community.

Feedback received during the consultation period will be considered as we finalise the concept design.

We will keep the community and stakeholders informed as the project progresses.

Meet the team

The project team will be holding a drop-in session at Bass Park on Dumfries Avenue, Mount Ousley on Thursday 10 April from 3pm to 6pm to discuss the bridge design and answer your questions.

If you can't attend the drop-in session, you can call us on **1800 792 918** or email us at **southprojects@transport.nsw.gov.au**

Improving active transport in the area as part of the Mount Ousley interchange project

In addition to the proposed shared path bridge over Mount Ousley Road, other active transport improvements under construction as part of the Mount Ousley interchange project include:

- a new four-metre-wide shared path over the M1 Princes Motorway near the University of Wollongong
- an upgrade and extension of the existing pedestrian bridge across the motorway at Northfields Avenue
- a new shared path along the eastern side of the motorway adjacent to TAFE NSW that will connect the new shared path over the M1 Motorway with the existing path to the pedestrian bridge at Northfields Avenue.

Learn more about the Mount Ousley interchange project by visiting

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