



Australian Government



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## Newcastle Inner City Bypass – Rankin Park to Jesmond

Start of construction from March to May 2023

The Australian and NSW governments are funding construction of a 3.4 kilometre section of the Newcastle Inner City Bypass between Rankin Park and Jesmond. Transport for NSW has engaged Fulton Hogan to finalise the design and construct this section of the bypass.

### What's happening?

Fulton Hogan will continue to establish the construction zone, by site clearing during March to May 2023.

Daytime work will be carried out **Monday to Friday** between **7am and 6pm** and **Saturday** between **8am to 5pm** and includes:

- building and road condition surveys
- heritage salvage operations (supervised by archaeologist when required)
- installing nest boxes and carved hollows beyond the project boundary as part of our fauna management plan
- setting up environmental controls such as dust monitors and sediment controls
- stormwater drainage work
- vegetation removal on bypass alignment
- clearing and excavation work in project area
- utility and geotechnical investigations
- shared path diversion in Jesmond Park
- survey work
- removal of existing street lights to be replaced with temporary street lights
- adjustment of traffic signals
- installing of safety fencing, including across trails leading to construction zones

The following activities are required outside of daytime project hours for the safety of workers and road users, and to minimise traffic delays to the network. Night work will be carried out from **Monday to Friday** between **6pm and 7am**.

Date	Work Activity	Equipment
March to May 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lane closures near project area</li><li>• Utility investigations installation and relocation</li><li>• Pavement construction</li><li>• Stormwater drainage</li><li>• Geotechnical investigations</li><li>• Saw cutting of footpaths and reinstatement of affected areas</li><li>• Vegetation removal along Newcastle Road and Main Road, Jesmond, Lookout Road and McCaffrey Road, Rankin Park</li><li>• Vegetation removal along the length of the bypass</li><li>• Surveying work</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Traffic control</li><li>• Excavators, tippers, rollers</li><li>• Chainsaws</li><li>• Vacuum excavation</li><li>• Saw cutters</li><li>• Bore hole drills (vehicle mounted)</li><li>• Hand held compactors</li><li>• Franna cranes and hi-ab</li><li>• Survey equipment</li><li>• Trucks and light vehicles</li><li>• Lighting towers</li></ul>

- Road realigning
- Installing safety barriers, line marking and speed signage

We will offset the removal of these trees in line the NSW Biodiversity Offset Strategy. An arborist and an environmental supervisor will be on site to monitor the vegetation removal and all the activities will occur within a defined area.

## Work area

The work will occur along the length of the bypass from the southern interchange on Lookout Road and McCaffrey Drive at Rankin Park, to the northern interchange on Newcastle Road and Main Road, Jesmond, with additional works to occur in Jesmond Park and near the John Hunter Hospital.

## How will the work affect you?

At times we will use machinery and equipment that generate light, noise and vibration. We will make every effort to minimise these impacts by:

- turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use
- using non-tonal reversing alarms
- positioning of machines and noise blankets
- directing temporary lighting down and away from homes
- planning activities close to residents within standard construction hours and scheduling noisy activities earlier in the night, where possible
- monitoring noise so we can manage any potential impacts and adjust our work, where possible.

Noise levels will vary between moderate to noisy. Directly affected residents will be contacted and advised of the likely impact and what we are doing to minimise disruption during the work.

## Traffic changes

During night work there may be temporary lane closures with intermittent stop/slow traffic control, reduced speed limit of 40 km/h will be in place on Newcastle Road near the Newcastle Inner City Bypass roundabout, Lookout Road, McCaffrey Drive and on the existing Newcastle Inner City Bypass. Please keep to the sign posted speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers.

For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit [livetraffic.com](http://livetraffic.com) or check the Live Traffic App.

## More information

A Community Drop-in Session:

**When:** 5pm to 7pm, Friday 3 March 2023

**Where:** Jesmond Park, Jesmond (on the shared user path close to Illoura Street, Jesmond)

We will be at **Jesmond Cycle Path** in Jesmond Park, enter via the end of Victory Parade or Illoura Street. Drop in at any time and learn more about the project and the local heritage site Hollywood.

If you would like to provide feedback, or have any questions about this work, please contact our project team on **1800 818 433** (24 hours), email [RP2JCommunity@fultonhogan.com.au](mailto:RP2JCommunity@fultonhogan.com.au) or mail to PO Box 186, Waratah, NSW 2298.

For more information about the project visit **[nswroads.work/rp2j](http://nswroads.work/rp2j)**

Thank you for your patience during this important work.

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