

Windsor Bridge Replacement Project

Out-of-Hours Works Noise Assessment

Traffic Switch onto New Windsor Bridge. Rev G

If the following assessment of the OOHW activity is calculated to be over the NML (+5dBA of the RBL) then signoff required by the following:



Glossary/Abbreviations

GLOSSARY/ABBREVIATIO	ons
OOHW	Out of Hours Work
SPL	The sound pressure level is the noise at a given distance from plant or equipment, and the sound pressure level can change depending on the distance from the equipment and also the orientation of the equipment.
SWL	The sound power level is the intrinsic noise output of plant or equipment, and does not depend on distance or orientation of the machine
TCS	Traffic Control System
ITS	Intelligent Control System
TMC	Transport Management Centre
ROL	Road Occupancy Licence
NML	Noise Management Level
Noticeable	5 to 10 dBA above rating background level (RBL)
Clearly audible	10 to 20 dBA above RBL
Moderately intrusive	20 to 30 dBA above RBL
Highly intrusive	>30 dBA above RBL
Sleep disturbance	Sleep disturbance is LAmax of 65 dBA (at the façade of a property)
RBL	Rating Background Level
CNVMP	Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan
NCA	Noise Catchment Area
DECCW	Department of Environment Climate Change and Water
RNP	Road Noise Policy

PART 1 – Initial OOHW Requ	ART 1 – Initial OOHW Request Details					
Location of OOHW:	George Street – Bridge Street intersection and onto new bridge					
Proposed OOHW times:	8pm Thursday – Monday 5am					
Date of proposed OOHW:	Thursday 14 May to Monday 18 May 2020 Contingency dates (weather permitting) include the following. Thursday 21 May to Monday 25 May 2020					
Name of OOHW requestor						
Name of Assessor						
Nearest sensitive receiver:	10 Bridge Street					
Supervisor						

Description and justification of OOHW (include plant/equipment used):

This OOHW request is for the asphalting works required to enable the switching of traffic onto the new bridge. These works will involve the sequential asphalting of the Bridge Street intersection and the construction of Macquarie park access and at times will require the full detour of the old/new bridge.

The traffic management plan for these works has been developed in consultation with Transport Management Centre (TMC). The sequencing of this works and the requirement to do them consecutively and OOH is due to TMC's road occupancy licence (ROL) restrictions.

To construct the design, six consecutive (day and night) shifts are required. At present, both lanes of traffic through the intersection travel over the area that will be reconstructed as part of the works. To construct the design, traffic needs to be partially or completely removed from the intersection. There are approximately 20,000 vehicles that cross the bridge every day. The nearest crossing of the Hawkesbury river is Richmond. A detour to this crossing would add 45 minutes to journey times for motorists who use Windsor Bridge as well as create heavy congestion through Richmond town centre. To that end, TMC will not allow the closure of Windsor Bridge during the day.

There is also a difference in level of approximately 0.7m between the existing road surface and the new road surface at the intersection of Bridge St and George St means that there is a requirement to place up to four layers of asphalt. As such, the switch must occur over multiple nights because it is not possible to place and compact more than two layers of asphalt in a single shift as there is insufficient time for the asphalt to cool down to place the subsequent layers or return the traffic

The difference in levels mean that the construction of the pavement in the intersection must be completed before traffic from George St east and west of the intersection can enter Bridge St. This is because there will be level changes in the road surface that cars cannot drive over and there will be insufficient space to provide a roundabout.

In order to complete these works in accordance with TMC's requirements works will be conducted from the Thursday, of the weekend at 8pm and carry on until the Monday. The dates of which will be either of those set out in the sections above. It is not reasonable or feasible to complete these works in blocks with respite periods as, it is explained previously, that the level differences between the existing and the new pavements make it physically impossible to cross in a car, therefore the works have to continue in order to reopen the road and completely switch traffic onto the new bridge in the time designated by TMC. To further understand the timing for these works a works schedule and the timing of the works relevant to standard and non-standard construction hours is provided in Table 1.1 below.

The contingency dates provided in the table above are provided in the event that unfavourable weather or conditions are encountered. As the works can only be completed on a weekend, the contingency dates provided are for the weekends following the proposed weekend.

Table 1.1 Schedule of V	Vorks for Traffic Switch Weekend		
Work Day	Works Completed during Standard Hours No OOHW application required*	ndard Hours OOHW Period 1	
Thursday	Works as normal	1800 – 2200 Asphalting (traffic control,	2200 – 0700 no bridge detour)
Friday	Works as normal	1800-2200 Asphalting and bridge detour set up	2200-0800 Asphalting Windsor Bridge entirely detoured
Saturday	Asphalting and earthworks behind barriers	0700 - 0800 1300 – 2200 Asphalting and bridge detour set up	2200 – 0800 Asphalting -Windsor Bridge entirely detoured
Sunday		0800 – 1800 Contingency (potentially some earthworks and asphalting)	1800 – 0700 Relocate barriers and line marking (traffic control)

The RMS Construction Noise Estimator default scenario Resurfacing Works is representative of the works to be conducted and will be used in this assessment. The plant used in this scenario is detailed below in Section 2.1.

1.1 Additional Requirements	for the works (tic	k all that apply)		
Traffic control ⊠	Traffic control su	ıpervisor⊠	Lighting (if required direct away from receivers) ⊠	Other (list) 🗆
1.2 Emergency Planning				
Who in the work team is currently senior first aid qualified?				
Where will the first aid kit be located?		Site offices and site vehicles		
Communication to contact assistance in an emergency?		Mobile phones a not, 2 way radio	vailable, supervisor to have mobile p	hone if staff do

PART 2 - Assessment

2.1 Noise Assessment Method

The RMS Construction Noise Estimator – Estimator (Scenario) was used to determine the most impacted residential receivers as a result of the noise levels from the works. The default scenario Resurfacing Works was used as a representative scenario for this OOHW.

The plant used in the Resurfacing Works scenario and their relative SWL and SPL is detailed below

<u>NOTE:</u> While all these plant have been modelled as part of this noise assessment, the actual impact to receivers is expected to be less, as not all plant listed will be used, nor will they be used at the same time. Additionally, all noisy works will be completed prior to midnight.

Plant/ Equipment	LAeq SWL (dBA)	LAeq at 7m (dBA)
Daymakers	98	73
Pavement profiler	117	92
Dump truck	110	85
Front end loader	112	87
Pavement laying machine	114	89
Asphalt truck & sprayer	106	81
Smooth drum roller	107	82

2.2 Noise Impact Statement

Table 2.2 below details the following aspects:

<u>Noise Management Levels:</u> LAeq(15minute) noise management levels [dB(A)] for the relevant noise catchment/receiver is summarised in the table below. This information has been sourced from the CNVMP. The noise management level (NML) for OOHW is equal to the back ground noise level (RBL) +5dBA.

The residential receivers listed below are those nearest to the works and therefore subject to the greatest impacts. Noise impacts reduce as distance from noise source increases. Therefore the receivers assessed are considered worst case scenarios.

Note: As per NVMP the NML for R3 is used for receivers R16 - R17 and U4 –U6. NML for R4 is used for R11 – R13 and U1 -

<u>Noise Impacts on Receivers:</u> The table below also details the predicted total SPL (LAeq 15 minute (dBA)) as determined by the *RMS Construction Noise Estimator – Estimator (Scenario*) and the relative predicted levels above the different NML's. The default scenario *Resurfacing Works was* used as a representative scenario for this OOHW, to predict the most impacted residential receivers as a result of the noise levels from the works.

Additionally, while this assessment is for a continuous block of work between Thursday night shift and Sunday night shift, due to ROL restrictions and the nature of the works to be completed, the receivers **will not** be subject to the predicted noise impacts below for the entirety of the work block. Furthermore, the noise impacts have been assessed based on the night RBL and the impacts during the day will be significantly less.

Note: The impacts discussed Table 2.2 (dBA above NML) are in relation to the OOHW Period 2 to ensure a worst-case, conservative approach is taken in this assessment.

Table 2.2 Noise Management Levels and Predicted Noise Levels.

		N	loise Manageme	nt Levels	Levels Predicted Noise Impacts Assessment				
ID	Receiver Location	Daytime (7am–6pm	OOHW Period 1 (6pm–10pm)	OOHW Period 2 (10pm–7am)	RBL*	Distance to Works	Total SPL LAeq (15 minute) (dBA)	dBA above RBL	dBA above NML
R3	10 Bridge Street	72	61	46	41	1 0m	84	43	32
R1	27 Wilberforce Rd	68	55	44	39	30m	76	37	30
R17	66 George Street	72	61	46	41	30m	76	35	30
U1	51 George Street	55	47	32	27	50m	62	35	27
R16	3 Thompson Sq	72	61	46	41	45m	73	32	31
R4	53 George Street	55	47	32	27	45m	63	36	25
R11	45 George Street	55	47	32	27	100m	57	30	24
R12	43 George Street	55	47	32	27	110m	56	29	21
R13	41 George Street	55	47	32	27	140m	53	26	26
U2	50 George Street	55	47	32	27	90m	58	31	24
U3	48 George Street	55	47	32	27	11 0m	56	29	15
U4	3/52 George St	72	61	46	41	60m	61	20	12
U5	20 Bridge Street	72	61	46	41	90m	58	17	14
U6	2/52 George St	72	61	46	41	70m	60	19	32

^{*}RBL – Rating Background Level (dBA)

- dBA which is greater than 30dBA > RBL ('Highly Intrusive' NCA1) (see Figures 1 & 2)

- dBA which is between 20 – 30dBA > RBL ('Moderately Intrusive' NCA2) (see Figures 1 & 2)

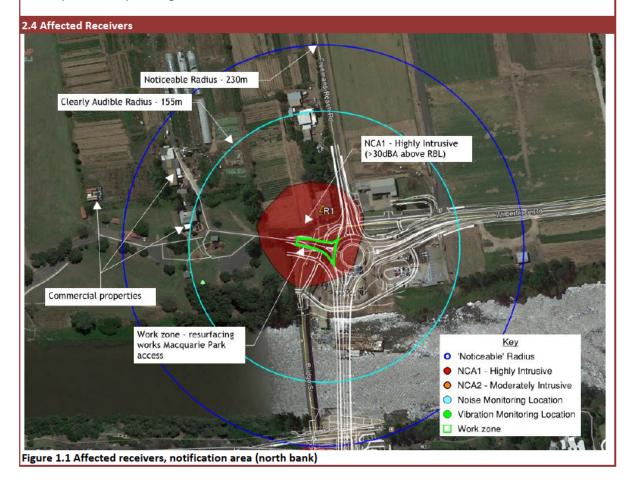
^{*}R - Receivers as identified in the NVMP

^{*}U - Receivers which have not been identified in the NVMP

2.3 Risk assessment Acoustic assessment completed by the ESR to determine if ☐ below NML (RBL +5dBA) works are above the Noise Management Level (RBL +5dBA) □ Above NML (RBL +5dBA) at closest receiver If above NML identify the out of hours works period: Standard Hours OOHW Period 1 OOHW Period 2 1800 - 2200 \boxtimes 2200 - 0700 \boxtimes Weekdays No OOHW application 0700 - 0800 required Saturdays \boxtimes 2200 - 0800 \boxtimes 1300 - 2200 Sundays and public holidays 0800 - 1800 X 1800 - 0700 X If above NML identify the out of hours works category: Medium Risk 🗌 High Risk 🛛 Low Risk Category Sleep disturbance risk Prolonged work (ie > 1 week) No sleep disturbance 2200 -0700 weekday nights 1800 - 2200 weekdays Sleep disturbance possible 1300 - 2200 Saturdays 2200 - 0800 Saturday nights Impulsive noise or vibration after 0800 - 1800 Sunday & Public 1800 - 0700 Sunday & Public 11pm (eg vibratory rolling or rock Holidays nights breaking) Holiday 1 or 2 occurrences No impulsive or tonal noise

Out of hours works category comment:

The 'high risk' category has been selected for the works, as the works are scheduled for a continuous block between Thursday and Monday morning.



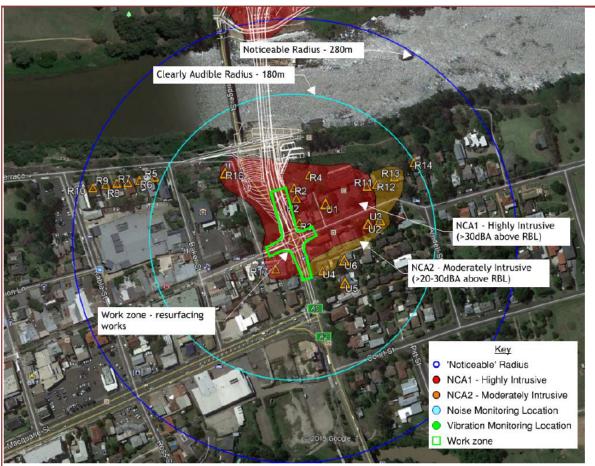


Figure 1.2 Affected receivers, notification area (south bank)

Figures 1.1 and 1.2 show the noise impact radii, and noise catchment areas and the receivers which fall within the various noise impact categories as per the *RMS Construction Noise Estimator*. The outer radius of 230m and 280m on the north and south bank respectively, shows the area in which the noise from the OOHW has the potential to be 'noticeable' (5 to 10dBA above RBL). All properties within these radii will be notified.

The inner radii on the north and south bank of 155m and 180m respectively, highlights the receivers in which the noise levels from the OOHW have the potential to be 'clearly audible' (10 to 20dBA above RBL).

The noise catchment areas (NCA's) will be further highlighted in discussed in the following Figures 2.1 and 2.2

'Noticeable' Radius NCA1 - Highly Intrusive NCA2 - Moderately Intrusive

Work zone

Noise Monitoring Location

Vibration Monitoring Location

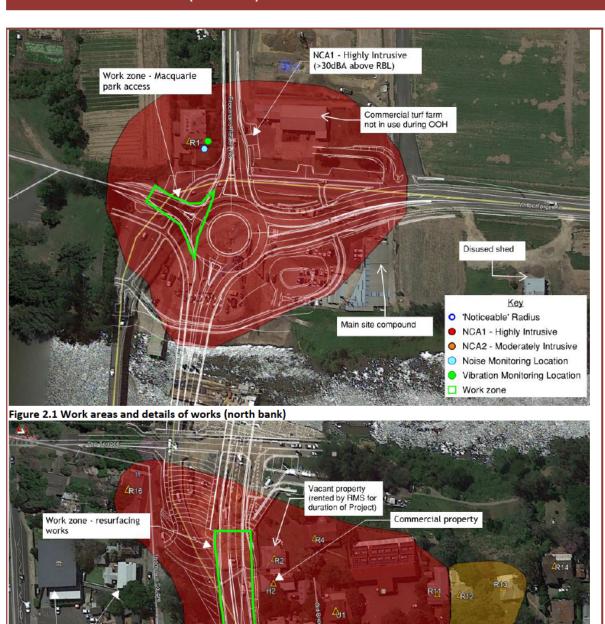


Figure 2.2 Work areas and details of works (south bank)

NCA1 - Highly Intrusive

(>30dBA above RBL)

Figures 2.1 and 2.2 provide closer detail of the NCA's and the receivers within these. NCA2 identifies the area in which the noise generated from OOHW have the potential to be 'moderately intrusive', the receivers within this area will additionally have specific notification by way of phone call or door knocking prior to the works. NCA1 highlights the area in which the noise generated from the OOHW has the potential to be highly intrusive, in accordance with the Noise and Vibration Management Plan, receivers within these areas will be offered alternate accommodation.

NCA2 - Moderately Intrusive

(>20-30dBA above RBL)

It is important to note that this modelling is based on the 'night' RBL's which is significantly lower than that of the 'day' RBL. The impacts during the OOH day shifts will be considerably less than what is modelled here.

2.5 Sleep Disturbance Risk

An assessment was also carried out to determine the sleep disturbance impact of the work. Noise impacts or events that can cause interruptions to sleeping patterns are considered separately to noise levels during works outside standard hours. The ICNG does not provide a specific method for assessment of potential sleep disturbance noise impacts; and guidance on the acceptability of these events is taken from the NSW Road Noise Policy (RNP) (DECCW, 2011). The RNP provides targets for considering sleep disturbance impacts:

- Sleep disturbance screening criterion used to identify situations where there is the potential for sleep disturbance.
- · Sleep disturbance awakening criterion levels below which awakening is unlikely to occur.

The sleep disturbance screening criterion recommends that where the LA1 (1 minute) does not exceed the LA90 (15 minute) by 15 dB(A) or more, sleep disturbance impacts are likely to be maintained at an acceptable level. The LA1, (1 minute) descriptor is meant to represent a typical maximum noise level when measured using a 'fast' time response. The sleep disturbance awakening guideline is the threshold at which an awakening reaction is likely to occur.

Research discussed in the RNP identified this threshold to be an internal bedroom noise level of around 50 to 55 dB(A). Windows often allow the greatest amount of sound transmission from outside to inside across a building façade.

Noting guidance presented in AS2436-2010, where bedrooms are ventilated by an opened window, a sleep disturbance awakening criterion measured outside the bedroom window of 60 to 65 dB(A) less the conversion from LAEq 15 minute to an LA 1 minute (conservatively assumed to be 10 dB(A) would generally apply (i.e. 55 dB(A)).

The proposal would have the potential to create sleep disturbance to:

- Receivers located within 180m of the work zone where there is a line of sight to the between to the property
- Receivers located within 70m of the proposed works where there is no line of sight

This includes the following properties:

- R1: 27 Wilberforce
- R16: 3 Thompson Square
- R3: 10 Bridge Street
- U1: 51 George Street
- R17: 66 George Street
- R4: 53 George Street

This has been modelled via the RMS Construction Noise Estimator – **Distance (scenario)** to experience sleep disturbance noise levels of LAmax 65 dB(A). This assessment has been conducted for the works on both the north and south banks.

The mitigation measures outlined in Section 2.7 and 2.8 minimise the identified sleep disturbance risk and sleep disturbance remains at a 'risk' level. This includes the offer of alternate accommodation for these receivers. Details of the community consultation including the letter of alternate accommodation is provided in Appendix 1.

2.6 Standard noise mitigation measures		Why not? / Comment
Can work be carried out during a less sensitive time period?	No	ROL requirements do not allow for the works to be complete during standard construction hours
Are all construction vehicles fitted with non-tonal reversing ambient sensitive alarms?	Yes	Site vehicles have non-tonal beepers installed.
Can mobile acoustic hoarding be used to shield stationary items where noise levels are 20 dB(A) above RBL at affected receivers?	Potentially	Can be used in some instances, will be assessed on site
Is there appropriate communication method on site to avoid communicating at elevated voice levels?	Yes	Two-way radios or mobile phones will be used in lieu of elevating voices

Identify any other standard measures where applicable:

Other standard mitigation measures will also be implemented these include;

- No shouting, swearing or loud music
- · Two-way radios will be used for communication in lieu of shouting, whistling, horns etc.
- · No dropping of materials or objects
- Affected receivers will be notified of the upcoming works
- Works resulting in an impulsive or tonal noise emission will be undertaken in in continuous blocks not
 exceeding three hours each with a minimum respite from those activities and works of not less than one hour
 between each block.
- Works will commence as soon as the ROL permits to allow for early as possible completion
- Site vehicles and plant that have non-tonal 'quackers' will be used to complete the works
- Regular monitoring of construction lighting will be done to avoid unnecessary light spill
- Noisier works such as jackhammering and concrete cutting will be completed prior to midnight where possible
- Attended monitoring will occur during all out-of-hours work to confirm the predictions in the noise assessment
 were accurate. Monitoring will occur at the nearest sensitive receiver. Monitoring will also occur if a complaint
 is received during any works including out-of-hours work.
- Alternate accommodation will be offered to the receivers within NCA1 'Highly Intrusive'

The mitigation measures detailed here will be conveyed to all staff through a pre-start tool box

2.7 Additional Noise Mitigation Measures

Table 2.7 below details the noise impact categories as per the RMS Construction Noise Guidelines and the mitigation measures which are triggered by each category. Additionally, the table details the distance which is affected by the relative noise impact category and the receivers which fall within that category.

Duration respite has not been included as an additional mitigation measure for the reasons included in Section 2.8. However consultation with the 17 affected properties in NCA1 and NCA2 has occurred. Of the 17, 2 were vacant properties, 5 were not home and of the 11 that were contacted, no residents had any issues with the works. A detailed consultation strategy and results of the community consultation is provided in Appendix 1.

Note: The impacts and mitigation measures discussed are in relation to the OOHW Period 2 to ensure a conservative approach is taken in this assessment

Identify noise affected zones and additional noise mitigation measures using Roads and Maritime's Maintenance Noise Estimator

Noise Impact Category and relative mitigation measures (See Section 3 below for definitions)	Affected distance [metres]	Applicable Residential Receivers
Noticeable (5 to 10 dBA above RBL) Notification	230m (north bank) 280m (south bank)	All in 'Noticeable' radii
Clearly Audible (10 to 20 dBA above RBL) Notification	155m (north bank) 180m (south bank)	All in 'Clearly Audible" radii
Moderately Intrusive (20 to 30 dBA above RBL) Notification, Phone Call (or other form of engagement), Specific Notification	70m (without line of sight)	All in NCA2: U4, U3, R12, R13
Highly Intrusive (>30 dBA above RBL) Alternative accommodation, Phone Call (or other form of engagement), Specific Notification Respite Period 1	10m (with line of sight)	All in NCA1: R1, R16, R4, R3, U1, R11, U2, R17

2.8 Mitigation Measures Comments

- <u>Community Consultation</u>: Early community consultation has been carried out in preparation for the works (December 2019). Further community consultation has been conducted commencing the 2nd of April 2020, this consultation has detailed the proposed dates for the works, including the contingency dates as well as the reasoning behind the need for contingency. More information on community consultation can be found in Appendix A Community Consultation Strategy.
- Notification: All residents within the 'Noticeable' radius will be notified by letter box drop of the works prior to construction
- Engagement: The majority of the residents within the "noticeable' radii have been consulted with in
 December 2019, the residents have been made aware of the works and the further notifications to come and
 there has been no objections to the works. Furthermore, all in residents within moderately intrusive NCA
 (NCA2) will have other forms of engagement such as phone call or door knock prior to works commencing.
- Respite Period 1/2: Due to the nature of the works and the justification provided in Part 1, the works cannot adhere to the respite periods. As such, extensive community consultation has begun for the works to ensure the community are well informed.
- <u>Duration Respite:</u> Duration respite is not relevant to this assessment as there is no other way to complete
 the works without any further disruptions to the community. As there is some works which require the
 closure of both bridges and a detour of 45 minutes through Richmond, TMC will only permit this on a
 weekend night shift. There is also a lot of works to enable these night shift works and therefore the shifts
 must be completed consecutively.
- <u>Alternate Accommodation</u> Alternate accommodation will not be re-offered to affected residents due to the current COVID-19 pandemic and the government health guidelines which strongly recommended people to stay inside their homes. A letter of offer of alternate accommodation was provided in December 2019 to the following residents: All in NCA1, R3, R1, R17 U1, R16, R4, R11, U2 and two residents within NCA2 which are potentially subject to higher noise, R12 and U3. No residents took up the letter of offer during this time. If further noise mitigation is required, in the absence of alternative accommodation, the Project will work with the individual resident/s to provide a reasonable solution such as offering noise cancelling headphones in the event that residents indicate that the noise will be an issue for them.

2.9 Monitoring During OOHW

Noise Monitoring

Noise monitoring will be conducted throughout the works to confirm that the noise levels predicted in this assessment are accurate. The monitoring locations have been chosen as they are the properties of the nearest sensitive receivers. Additionally, safety of the personnel undertaking the noise monitoring has been taken into consideration with locations chosen that are in close proximity to the main works. As these monitoring locations are close to the works, they are considered to be 'worst-case scenario' and noise levels at a greater distance from the works to be significantly less. The receiver which monitoring will be conducted at is R1: 27 Wilberforce Road on the north bank and R3: 10 Bridge Street on the south bank.

Vibration Monitoring

Vibration monitoring will be conducted on the heritage properties closest to the works – 27 Wilberforce Road on the north bank and 10 Bridge Street on the south bank.

2.10 Community Consultation

Community consultation has entailed early community consultation (December 2019) to ensure that the community are well informed about the works. The majority of the community have shown no objections to the works being completed. Furthermore, prior to works the affected receivers in NCA1 and NCA2 will receive targeted notification and the affected receivers within NCA1 have received offers of alternate accommodation two weeks prior to the works being completed, this will be followed up by a written notification to all in the 'noticeable' radius one week prior to the works commencing.

Further consultation with the community has been conducted detailing the date change and the contingency dates. Given the current COVID-19 situation, doorknocking was not used for this initial consultation. Consultation has/will be via phone/email/letterbox drop only.

The project team made contact with residents via phone call. Residents who were unable to be contacted by phone were given calling cards/emails with a request to call the project team if there were any issues with the date change and the contingency dates. No residents have taken up the opportunity to call/text the project team

Additionally, all residents that have been contacted have had no issues with the works.

The details and results of the community consultation and the example letters offering alternate accommodation are found in the Community Consultation Strategy for these works attached as Appendix A.

In the event a contingency weekend is required, an updated notification will be distributed and follow up consultation will occur with the impacted residents at least 5 days prior to the rescheduled date.

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Abbreviation	Measure	Description
N	Notification (letterbox drop or equivalent)	Advanced warning of works and potential disruptions can assist in reducing the impact on the community. The notification may consist of a letterbox drop (or equivalent) detailing work activities, time periods over which these will occur, impacts and mitigation measures. Notification should be a minimum of 5 working days prior to the start of works. The approval conditions for projects may also specify requirements for notification to the community about works that may impact on them.
SN	Specific notifications	Specific notifications are letterbox dropped (or equivalent) to identified stakeholders no later than seven calendar days ahead of construction activities that are likely to exceed the noise objectives. The specific notification provides additional information when relevant and informative to more highly affected receivers than covered in general letterbox drops. The exact conditions under which specific notifications would proceed are defined in the relevant Additional Mitigation Measures. This form of communication is used to support notifications, or to advertise unscheduled works.
PC	Phone calls	Phone calls detailing relevant information made to identified/affected stakeholders within seven calendar days of proposed work. Phone calls provide affected stakeholders with personalised contact and tailored advice, with the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed work and specific needs. Where the resident cannot be telephoned then an alternative form of engagement should be used.
IB	Individual briefings	Individual briefings are used to inform stakeholders about the impacts of high noise activities and mitigation measures that will be implemented. Project representatives would visit identified stakeholders at least 48 hours ahead of potentially disturbing construction activities. Individual briefings provide affected stakeholders with personalised contact and tailored advice, with the opportunity to comment on the project. Where the resident cannot be met with individually then an alternative form of engagement should be used.
RO	Respite offer	Respite Offers should be considered made where there are high noise and vibration generating activities near receivers. As a guide work should be carried out in continuous blocks that do not exceed 3 hours each, with a minimum respite period of one hour between each block. The actual duration of each block of work and respite should be flexible to accommodate the usage of and amenity at nearby receivers. The purpose of such an offer is to provide residents with respite from an ongoing impact. This measure is evaluated on a project-by-project basis, and may not be applicable to all projects.
R1	Respite period 1	Out of hours construction noise in out of hours period 1 shall be limited to no more than three consecutive evenings per week except where there is a Duration Respite. For night work these periods of work should be separated by not less than one week and no more than 6 evenings per month.
R2	Respite period 2	Night time construction noise in out of hours period 2 shall be limited to two consecutive nights except for where there is a Duration Respite. For night work these periods of work should be separated by not less than one week and 6 nights per month. Where possible, high noise generating works shall be completed before 11pm.
DR	Duration respite	Respite offers and respite periods 1 and 2 may be counterproductive in reducing the impact on the community for longer duration projects. In this instance and where it can be strongly justified it may be beneficial to increase the work duration, number of evenings or nights worked through Duration Respite so that the project can be completed more quickly. The project team should engage with the community where noise levels are expected to exceed the NML to demonstrate support for Duration Respite. Where there are few receivers above the NML each of these receivers should be visited to discuss the project to gain support for Duration Respite. Support may be demonstrated from surveys, contact phone numbers and community events.

Abbreviation	Measure	Description
AA	Alternative accommodation	Alternative accommodation options may be offered to residents living in close proximity to construction works that are likely to experience highly intrusive noise levels. The specifics of the offer will be identified on a project-by-project basis. Additional aspects for consideration shall include whether the highly intrusive activities occur throughout the night or before midnight. This measure is currently not available due to the Covid-19 pandemic.
V	Verification	Please see Appendix F of CNVG for more details about verification of Noise and Vibration levels as part of routine checks of noise levels or following reasonable complaints. This verification should include measurement of the background noise level and construction noise.

Appendix A

Community Consultation Strategy for OOHW No. 31

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this strategy is to detail the community consultation to be conducted prior to and during the OOHW. As it is necessary that these OOHW are completed in one continuous block commencing Thursday 8pm until Monday 5am, the works will need to be completed under 'Duration Respite'.

This Appendix has been updated to reflect the further community consultation conducted following the date change and the proposed contingency dates. It is important to note that this consultation is being conducted during the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, whereby government health guidelines encourage people to stay inside their homes and restrict the movement of people to reduce the risk of infection. As this is the case, doorknocking as part of the community consultation will not be conducted, instead the team will be phoning/emailing and doing a letter box drop with a call out card.

1.2 Requirements of Mitigation Measures

The requirements of consultation:

Specific notifications are letterbox dropped (or equivalent) to identified stakeholders no later than seven calendar days ahead of construction activities that are likely to exceed the noise objectives.

Phone calls detailing relevant information made to identified/affected stakeholders within seven calendar days of proposed work. Phone calls provide affected stakeholders with personalised contact and tailored advice, with the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed work and specific needs

As such the project team will engage with affected receivers by way of phone call, email or letter box drop.

The requirements of alternate accommodation are as follows;

Alternative accommodation options may be offered to residents living in close proximity to construction works that are likely to experience highly intrusive noise levels. (Source: RMS Construction Noise and Vibration Guidelines)

The project team has assessed the need for alternate accommodation and given the COVID-19 pandemic it is not appropriate to offer alternative accommodation at this time when the government guidelines strongly encourage the public to stay within their homes. Additionally, there was no take up of this offer following the consultation conducted in December 2019.

2. CONSULTATION MATERIAL

2.1 Transcript Example for Community Consultation (Phone Call)

We are here today on behalf of Georgiou, RMS and the Windsor Bridge Project, to speak with you regarding some upcoming out of hour's works. The works are planned for the 7th to the 11th of May. With the following dates proposed for contingency if adverse weather is encountered:

- Thursday 14 May to Monday 8 May 2020
- Thursday 21 May to Monday 25 May 2020
- Thursday 28 May to Monday 1st June

These works are necessary to allow for the switching of the traffic onto the new bridge. The works will consist of;

- Removal of the existing pavements and laying of new pavements at the intersection of George and Bridge Street leading up to the new bridge
- Some moving of barriers
- Some minor earthworks during the day Saturday
- Some minor works and potentially asphalting during the day Sunday
- Moving barriers and line marking on Sunday night.

It is necessary we do all these works in a continuous block as there are restrictions on road occupancy and there will be detours of the old and new Windsor Bridge for both Friday and Saturday night to complete these works. There is also significant differences in the levels of the new pavements and the old pavements, which means the road would be non-trafficable at times.

You will be made aware of these works closer to the date through written notifications and media releases.

2.2 Letter of offer of alternate accommodation (Not used – provided during December consultation only)



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To the Resident,

The Georgiou Windsor Bridge Project Team have recently engaged with you regarding the upcoming out of hours works, in which we discussed and you understand with the following;

- These works will be carried out between Thursday 26th of March at 8pm and carry on continuously until Monday 30th of March at 5am.
- · You will be notified of these works beginning one week prior to works commencing
- These works will consist of;
 - Milling of existing asphalt and resurfacing with new asphalt of Bridge Street and onto the new Windsor Bridge
 - O Some barrier removals and minor traffic switches
 - Line marking

Even though the works will be conducted in a continuous block, not all works will be noisy. However, if you feel as though the noise from these works may impact you negatively and you would require alternative accommodation during this time or have any questions relating to the construction please contact the Georgiou Windsor Bridge Project Team on 1800 983 657 or email windsorbridge@georgiou.com.au

Kind regards,		

The Georgiou Windsor Bridge Project Team

OOHW community notification

Our work schedule

Some of this work needs to be carried out at night to minimise impact to the road network and to ensure the safety of motorists and our workers.

Scheduled dates

Monday 11 May, Tuesday 12 May and Wednesday 13 May 2020 - night work on Wilberforce Road

 We will complete asphalting work on Wilberforce Road over one night between 8pm and 5am, weather permitting.

Thursday 14 May to Monday 18 May 2020 - continuous day and night work

 Work during the traffic switch will be continuous for 24 hours over four days and nights from 8am Thursday 14 May until 5am Monday 18 May.

Contingency dates

We have some contingency dates in place should this work not go ahead due to poor weather. If we need to change to a contingency date, our sequence of the work over the new weekend will be the same as detailed in this update.

- Thursday 21 May to Monday 25 May 2020,
- Thursday 28 May to Monday 1 June,
- Thursday 4 June to Monday 8 June 2020.

Please check livetraffic.com or Transport NSW website for latest traffic updates regarding this.

Contact us

If you have any questions about construction, please contact the Windsor Bridge Project Team on 1800 983 657 during business hours or email windsorbridge@georgiou.com.au For more information on the project please visit rms.nsw.gov.au/windsorbridge Thank you for your patience during this work.



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Transport for NSW

Windsor Bridge Replacement Project Opening the new Windsor Bridge to traffic

May 2020



Temporary traffic changes will be in place from **Thursday 14 May** to **Monday 18 May** including some full bridge closures.

The new Windsor Bridge is almost ready for road users. To switch traffic onto the new bridge we will need to work continuously over an extended weekend to prepare the road and the bridge approaches for vehicles.

This work will involve temporary road closures and traffic changes including night closures of Windsor Bridge with a detour in place via North Richmond. This detour could add up to an additional 45 minutes of travel time and we appreciate the patience and understanding of the community while we carry out this important work.

Road users are encouraged to plan ahead and avoid the area over this weekend if possible. Emergency vehicles will have access to the bridge at all times.

Changed traffic conditions will impact the following areas:

- Windsor Bridge access from Wilberforce Road and Bridge Street back to the Macquarie Street intersection
- George Street access both east and west at the Bridge Street intersection
- Freemans Reach Road
- · Access to Macquarie Park will be closed

More detail about the work schedule over the weekend and detours in place is included in this update.

Electronic message signs will be in place before work starts advising road users of the work and changes to traffic conditions. Please keep to speed limits, follow signs and traffic controllers' directions.

For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

New bridge opening - work schedule

Windsor Bridge access changes: Thursday 14 May to Monday 18 May

Thursday 14 May - night work

- Traffic will be reduced to a single lane with stop-slow management through the intersection of Bridge and George Streets.
- · Motorists should expect delays at the Macquarie Street and George Street intersections as well as the bridge approaches.

Friday 15 May - night work - bridge closed from 9pm - 8am

No access across the river from 9pm city bound and 10pm northbound until 8am

- A detour will be in place which will add up to an additional 45 minutes travel time.
- Traffic will be operating on the new bridge at the end of this shift

Saturday 16 May - day work

- Traffic using the new bridge
- Two lanes on the new bridge will be open, one in each direction.

Saturday 16 May - night work - bridge closed from 9pm - 8am

No access across the river from 9pm city bound and 10pm northbound until 8am

• A detour will be in place which will add up to an additional 45 minutes travel time.

Sunday 17 May - day work

• Two lanes on the new bridge will be open, one in each direction.

Sunday 17 May - night work

• Traffic on the new bridge will be reduced to a single lane with stop-slow management in place.

Monday 18 May - extended weekend work will finish and two lanes will be open on the new bridge from 5am.

George Street access changes: Friday 15 May at 9pm to Monday 18 May at 8am

George Street West will be closed between the intersection and Thompson Square laneway

- Access to Bridge Street will be via Thompson Square, The Terrace, Baker Street then Macquarie Street,
- Access to shops on George Street (from Bridge Street)
 via Macquarie Street, Kable Street then Baker Street.

George Street East closed

• Access will be via Court and Arndell streets.

Freemans Reach Road temporary closure: From Friday 15 May

- Important work to reconstruct the southern end of Freemans Reach Road will start over this extended working weekend. This work will continue for around 12 weeks, weather permitting.
- A detour will be in place via Gorricks Lane, Kurmond Road, Putty Road and Wilberforce Road for the duration of the closure.
- Access will be provided for residents only on Freemans Reach Road via Gorricks Lane. We will continue to engage with directly impacted residents in this area.





What is happening?

We will work on both sides of the river on the intersection of Bridge and George streets, Macquarie Street, the new Windsor Bridge, Wilberforce Road, Freemans Reach Road and Macquarie Park access.

We will asphalt sections of Wilberforce Road, followed by four days and four nights of continuous work to prepare the area and switch traffic from the existing Windsor Bridge to the new Windsor Bridge. During this weekend we will also work on the new access road for Macquarie Park.

The map above shows the work area.

This work will include:

- milling and asphalting
- excavating the existing road at the entrance to Macquarie Park
- constructing the Macquarie Park entrance
- installing new services and drainage at the entrance to Macquarie Park
- relocating concrete barriers
- line marking
- switching traffic from the existing bridge to the new bridge.

How will the work affect you?

Traffic control will be in place to manage pedestrian and vehicle access over the weekend.

There may be some impact to local residents during this work, including noise and lighting. We will make every effort to minimise this impacts by:

- turning vehicles and machinery off when not in use
- using non-tonal reversing alarms on vehicles and machinery
- using two-way radios for communication across the site
- completing our noisier work before midnight where possible
- directing noise-generating equipment and lights away from properties where possible
- carrying out noise and vibration monitoring during the work.

Pedestrian and vehicle access to Macquarie Park will be closed from 7pm Friday 15 May to 8am Wednesday 20 May 2020.

Transport for NSW
Windsor Bridge Replacement Project

2.3 Request for Contact Calling Card



We'd like to talk to you

3 April 2020

As a follow up from previous consultation in December 2019, the Windsor Bridge Project Team would like to consult with you regarding upcoming works which will be necessary to switch traffic onto the new bridge.

These works are programmed to commence **Thursday** 30th of April and works will continue through the weekend until **Monday the 4**th of **May**. This continuous block of work is necessary in order to open the new bridge. We would also like to advise you of the following contingency dates for the traffic switch (7 **May to 11 May**, 14 **May to 18 May** and 21 **May to 25 May 2020**) should the works need to be postponed due to adverse weather. You will receive a formal notification a week prior to the works commencing.

It's important for us to engage with you safely during the COVID -19 pandemic. Normally we would be knocking at your door to discuss the works but we are unable to do so, instead we'd like to hear back from you via an email, call or text should you require further information.

Please call or text Toni on **0468 654 860** or email toni.ford@georgiou.com.au so she can talk to you about what we're doing and what you need to know.

We look forward to hearing from you about this important work



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2.4 Request for Contact Email

Good morning

As a follow up from previous consultation in December 2019, the Windsor Bridge Project Team would like to consult with you regarding upcoming works which will be necessary to switch traffic onto the new bridge.

These works are programmed to commence Thursday 7th of May and works will continue through the weekend until Monday the 11th of May. This continuous block of work is necessary in order to open the new bridge. We would also like to advise you of the following contingency dates for the traffic switch (7 May to 11 May, 14 May to 18 May and 21 May to 25 May 2020) should the works need to be postponed due to adverse weather. You will receive a formal notification a week prior to the works commencing.

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3. CONSULTATION DETAILS AND RESULTS

3.1 December 2019 Consultation

The following table details the results of the community consultation conducted in relation to the works.

ID	Address	Catchment	First Visit 11/12/2019	Second Visit 12/12/2019	Third Visit 13/12/2019	Alternate Accommodation	
			2:45 – 4pm	11am – 12pm	10:15 – 10:30am	Offered?	
R17	66 George Street	NCA1			10.304111		
R13	41 George Street	NCA2					
R12	43 George Street	NCA2					
R11	45 George Street	NCA1					
Motel	47 George Street						
U1	51 George Street	NCA1					
R4	53 George Street	NCA1					
Motel	54 George Street						
U2	50 George Street	NCA1					
U3	48 George Street	NCA2					
U6	2/52 George Street	NCA2					
U4	3/52 George Street	NCA2					
R16	1 Thompson Square	NCA1					
R16	3 Thompson Square	NCA1					
R1	27 Wilberforce Road	NCA1					
R3	10 Bridge Street	NCA1					
U5	20 Bridge Street	NCA2					

3.1.2 December Results

17 properties were visited during the community consultation which included all the residents within NCA1 and NCA2. Of the 17 properties visited, contact was made with 11 residents and all of the residents contacted had no issues with the consecutive works required for the traffic switch. The other 7 properties were not able to be contacted as the resident was not home and a calling card was left or found to be vacant properties.

3.2 April 2020 Consultation

The following table details the results of the community consultation conducted in relation to the works.

ID	Address	Catchment	Result of December Consultation	Results of April Consultation
R17	66 George Street	NCA1		
R13	41 George Street	NCA2		
R12	43 George Street	NCA2		
R11	45 George Street	NCA1		
Motel	47 George Street			
U1	51 George Street	NCA1		
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U2	50 George Street	NCA1		
U3	48 George Street	NCA2		
U6	2/52 George Street	NCA2		
U4	3/52 George Street	NCA2		
R16	1 Thompson Square	NCA1		
R16	3 Thompson Square	NCA1		
R1	27 Wilberforce Road	NCA1		
R3	10 Bridge Street	NCA1		
U5	20 Bridge Street	NCA2		

3.2.2 April Results

17 properties were contacted for follow up consultation regarding the date change and contingency dates. Given the current COVID-19 pandemic, this consultation was conducted through non-contact methods such as phone, email and/or text. Of the 17 properties, responses were received from 9 residents. None of the respondents had any issues with the dates required for the traffic switch. One property remains vacant, and the remaining 7 properties were contacted by calling card, phone call, email and/or text and asked to contact the project.