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# **Tonkin Gap Project and Associated Works**

# **Construction Update**

This update contains important information about upcoming works near you. Works below are anticipated for June but are subject to change due to the wet weather. Up to date information will be available on our website and Tonkin Gap Facebook page.

# 1. Tonkin Highway Roadworks

We are continuing works continue along Tonkin Highway this month. Please drive carefully and observe the signage on the road. There is potential for longer than usual travel times and we encourage road users to plan ahead. For detour maps and exact dates please visit the 'Roadworks' section on the website.

### Night works – Tonkin Highway

Throughout June, our crews will be installing barriers along Tonkin Highway at night. Intermittent lane and ramp closures will be in place during the works.

- From early-June, 6pm until 5am
- Tonkin Highway between Dunreath Drive and Hepburn Avenue

# 2. Dunreath Drive to Great Eastern Highway

We will continue with clearing, mulching, topsoil removal and earthworks to upgrade the new Great Eastern Highway loop ramp and widen Tonkin Highway. You may notice more construction vehicles in the Belmont area, and we thank you for your patience.

## **Selby Park**

You may have noticed that temporary fencing has gone up in Selby Park and we have started clearing. We understand this is an important park for community and plan to continue to safely share this space during construction.

## **Services works**

## • Vocus – Victoria Street pedestrian bridge

To prepare for the upgrade to Victoria Street pedestrian bridge, Vocus will be relocating its assets across Tonkin Highway, near the current Victoria Street pedestrian bridge.

Works will occur at night in late-June to ensure the safety of workers tracking the drill under Tonkin Highway.

## • Water Corporation – Great Eastern Highway

To prepare for the upgrade of Great Eastern Highway interchange, Water Corporation will continue working on Great Eastern Highway westbound to relocate water pipes running between Lyall street and Tonkin Highway. Once these works are complete, lane closures in each direction will be in place between Lyall Street and Tonkin Highway to facilitate the next stage of works. During these works the U-turn on Great Eastern Highway will not be permitted, however, the right turn into businesses and the Ascot Apartments will be maintained.

Works will occur from mid-June for up to month. Some night works, up to three nights, will be required.

## • Telstra – Great Eastern Highway

Telstra will continue to install new service equipment along Great Eastern Highway between the on-ramp to Tonkin Highway southbound and Lyall Street.

Ongoing works will continue from mid-June. Majority of the works will occur Monday to Friday between 7am and 7pm, however some night works may be required.

## Clearing

In June we will be clearing vegetation along Tonkin Highway southbound from Great Eastern Highway to Dunreath Drive. We will retain as much vegetation as possible however, to build the required infrastructure clearing is unavoidable. We will maintain shared path access but there may be detours.

During the clearing, mulching and removal of topsoil over the coming weeks, there will be an increase in dust. If you live nearby to the clearing area, we recommend that you cover your pool and any backyard furniture where possible. We will minimise the impact of dust as much as possible with dust mitigation strategies including water carts.



# 3. Redcliffe Bridge

Piling is almost complete on the northern foreshore of Redcliffe Bridge. This month we will start to construct the bridge segments on site. A total of 17 bridge segments will be required for the construction of the bridge. Have you seen our 275-tonne crawler crane on site near the Redcliffe Bridge? This mammoth crane stands over 50m tall and will help us build and incrementally launch the segments of the new bridge over the Swan River.

To complete this work, we will sometimes be required to start work before 7am and finish work after 7pm.



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# 4. Dunstone Road to Guildford Road

## **Dunstone Road bridge construction**

Last month we commenced works on Dunstone Road to construct the Dunstone Road bridges which will accommodate extra lanes over Tonkin Highway. Throughout June the team will continue earthworks to enable the bridge footing construction to start in early-June. Learn more about why we are closing this road in the <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u>. To complete this work, we will sometimes be required to start work before 7am and finish work after 7pm.

## ATCO gas – Wright Crescent and Hardy Road

ATCO gas will be working at night near Wright

Crescent and Hardy Road in Bayswater to install a new gas main across Tonkin Highway. Works will occur between 7pm to 5am in late-June to ensure the safety of workers tracking the drill across Tonkin Highway.

# 5. Guildford Road and Railway Parade

Works on the Guildford Road and Railway Parade bridges, as well as the Guildford Road loop ramp earthworks, are tracking well. This month you will start to see the bridge piers being constructed. When complete, the new Guildford Road loop ramps will provide road users significant improvements in geometric and safety standards.

Our crews will also start the excavation of the new underpasses near Guildford Road off-ramp as part of the upgrade to the Pedestrian Shared Path, which will improve connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists travelling from the north and south. To complete these works, we are in the process of building temporary ramps so we can work near the existing ramps.

### Night works – Railway Parade

To lift the steel reinforcement cages into place for the new bridge piers, we will be required to work at night on Guildford Road. Lane closures and speed reductions will be in place. Please observe the signage on the road for confirmed dates.

- Early-Mid June (approx. 3 nights);
- Guildford Road between Katanning Street and Newton Street.

### Night works – Guildford Road off-ramp

To build the temporary ramps we will be required to work at night on Guildford Road off-ramp from Tonkin Highway northbound. The ramp will be closed during these works and a detour in place. Visit the website for detour information.

- From 4 June (approx. 1 week);
- Guildford Road off-ramp from Tonkin Highway northbound.

# 6. Morley-Ellenbrook Line rail-enabling works

As part of the rail-enabling works for METRONET's Morley-Ellenbrook Line we will continue to work in the median of Tonkin Highway from Marshall Road to Collier Road. In June, works will include:

• Construction of deflection walls, sheet piling and earthworks in the median. At times you may feel vibrations and hear noise from these works. Please contact us if you have any concerns regarding these works.

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## Southern Dive construction near Railway Parade

Our team has mobilised the piling rig to start construction of our dive structure north of Railway Parade.

#### What is a dive structure?

The dive structure enables trains to duck under Tonkin Highway and travel along the median of Tonkin Highway. See image for one that has been done as part of the Forrestfield-Airport Link.

## **Broun Avenue bridge works**

We have started construction at Broun Avenue to prepare for new bridges across Tonkin Highway to house Morley Station – which will be built in the highway median. Over the next month you will see further clearing, construction of a temporary footpath, and our site compound in the area. You may notice more construction vehicles in the Morley area, and we thank you for your patience.

Broun Avenue is a key connection for vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians and so it is essential to maintain access across the bridge during construction. We understand that the skate park and BMX track is important to the community, and that's why we will



Dive structure example



Morley Station and Broun Avenue bridge concept

maintain access during construction. Safety for the community and our workers will always be our priority. Let's keep a look out for each other while we are sharing this space.

## Water Corporation – Cherry Court and Walter Road East

From late-June until late-August Water Corporation will be relocating its assets across Tonkin Highway from the end of Cherry Court to the end of Walter Road East. We will maintain shared path access but there may be detours.

#### What can I expect?

- Works and vehicle movements may be noticeable across all areas.
- Noise and vibration management measures are in place, including use of the quietest equipment reasonably available.
- High noise level equipment will be located away from residential areas, and noisiest activities scheduled to take place earlier in the night.
- Works will be in accordance with a noise management plan approved by your local government authority.

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