

Proposed night work schedule - Empire Bay Drive intersection upgrade

The NSW Government is investing \$20 million to upgrade the Empire Bay Drive and The Scenic Road intersection to improve traffic flow and safety for road users.

Transport for NSW is upgrading the existing roundabout at Empire Bay Drive, The Scenic Road and Cochrone Street at Kincumber to provide two lanes in each direction, to reduce congestion and improve safety.

We would like to thank the community for their patience and cooperation during the delivery of this intersection upgrade.

Work is continuing to be carried out between **7am** and **6pm** on weekdays and between **8am** and **1pm** on Saturdays, weather permitting.

We are now moving into the final stage of the project and based on feedback received during the project, we have proposed a night work schedule to ensure we can complete the remaining work as quickly as possible.

Work to be completed along the project area on Empire Bay Drive includes:

- Asphalt resurfacing
- Concreting
- Line marking.

In order to complete the work as efficiently as possible, we are proposing to work between **6pm** and **5am Sunday to Friday** from **Sunday 15 March**, for **10 shifts**.

We then aim to pause night work for a week to give residents some respite, before restarting night work between **6pm and 5am Sunday to Friday** from **Sunday 5 April** for another **10 shifts**.

Some minor night work may be carried out after these shifts for a couple of days, weather permitting.

This schedule will enable us to open the second northbound lane on Empire Bay Drive between Cochrone St and Avoca Drive in late March and complete the intersection upgrade in early May, weather permitting.

How will the work affect you?

The work will involve the use of machinery which generates noise. We will make every effort to minimise noise by undertaking noisier activities where possible before 11pm, completing the work in stages along this section of road and turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use.

Traffic changes

There will be some temporary traffic changes to ensure the work zone is safe.

Lane closures and traffic controllers will be in place during work hours.

Cochrone Street will be closed at the Empire Bay Drive roundabout during some night shifts. Motorists will need to use Kerta Road and Hawke Street to access Cochrone Street. Cochrone Street will reopen to traffic daily on completion of the night shift.

A permanent 40 km/h reduced speed limit remains in place through the work zone for the safety of motorists and workers. Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs. For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

Have your say

The community is invited to provide feedback which will be considered to finalise the remaining work schedule for this project.

Please send us your feedback by **Friday 6 March 2020** via:

Phone: 1800 670 016 during business hours
Email: Central.Coast.Office@transport.nsw.gov.au
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We will continue to work with the community and stakeholders during the final stage of this project to minimise the impact of this work.

Contact

If you have any questions, please contact the project information line on 1800 670 016. For more information on this project, visit rms.nsw.gov.au/empirebaydrive.



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