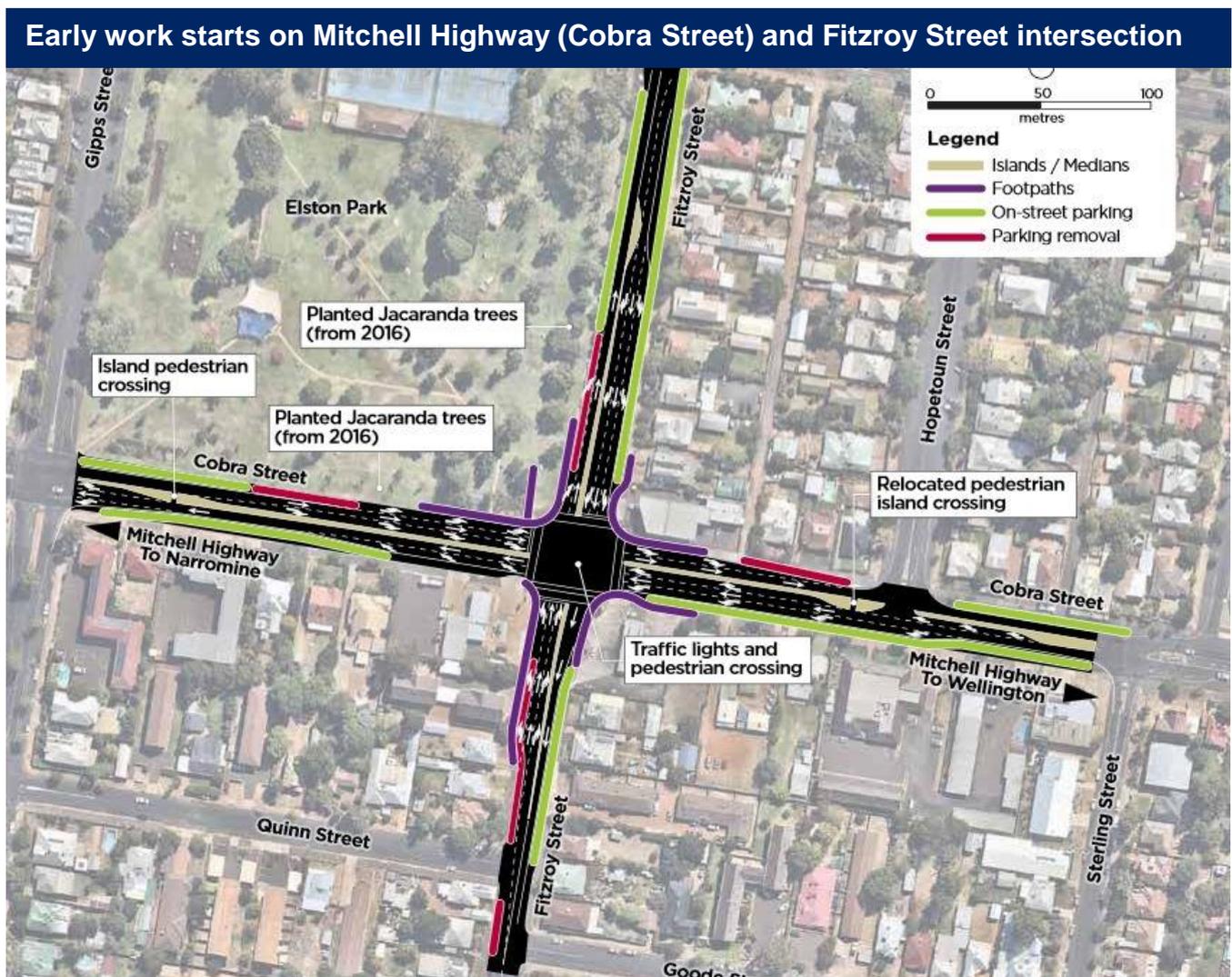


Early work starts on Mitchell Highway (Cobra Street) and Fitzroy Street intersection at Dubbo from Monday 14 October

The NSW Government is investing \$14 million to upgrade the Mitchell Highway (Cobra Street) and Fitzroy Street intersection to improve safety and efficiency.



To prepare for the intersection upgrade, Transport for NSW will carry out early work including tree removal, utility relocation and establishing a site compound.

The first stage of work will be the removal of the Jacaranda trees on Fitzroy Street and along Cobra Street from Monday 14 October to Thursday 31 October, weather permitting.

Work hours will be from **7pm to 12am** from **Monday to Friday** from **14 October to 22 October**.

From **24 October to 31 October** work hours will be from **8.30am to 4.30pm** from **Monday to Friday**.

We will let you know in advance if we need to do any work outside these times.

The trees need to be removed to improve sight distances for motorists, facilitate kerbside parking and remove hazards away from new travel lanes.

The community significance of these trees is recognised. In 2016, Road and Maritime funded the replantation and additional 12-month maintenance of 20 super-advanced Jacaranda trees in Elston Park to offset this loss. Mature replacement trees were planted by Dubbo Regional Council along the eastern and southern boundary of Elston Park (near Cobra Street and Fitzroy Street) in attempts to re-establish a formal avenue.

Early work will also involve relocating utilities, which will start in late 2019. This includes relocation of telecommunication services, gas services with later relocation of potable water, street lighting and electrical networks. The temporary site compound will also be constructed later in 2019. We will provide more information as the project progresses.

How will the work affect you?

Access to businesses and residences will be maintained during the work. Where possible, we will make every effort to minimise impacts.

Work will involve the use of machinery, which generates some noise. We will make every effort to minimise noise by arranging the work in stages at different locations and turning off plant and machinery when not in use.

Traffic changes

During the tree removal, there will be some temporary traffic changes to ensure safe work zones.

Shoulder closures and lane reductions will be in place during day works including 40km/h speed limits. Lane closures and traffic diversions will be in place during night work hours which will be implemented after **7pm** which may affect travel times. Access will be maintained to residents during this time, and additional measures in place to direct pedestrian foot traffic.

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.

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