

Nelligen Bridge Replacement

Out of hours work extended

The NSW Government is funding this \$148 million project which will provide a new bridge over the Clyde River and upgrades to the Kings Highway at Nelligen.

What are we doing?

We are continuing to work outside of standard construction hours to carry out some existing and new work activities more safely and efficiently for the remainder of the project.

Our standard working hours are:

- Monday to Friday between 7am and 6pm
- Saturday between 8am and 1pm.

The project team need the ability to, when required, extend our working hours to start earlier and finish later than standard working hours. This will also include extended hours on Sundays, to only be used on occasions when needed. Extended hours would be:

- Monday to Saturday between 6am and 10pm and on occasions before 6am
- Sunday between 6am and 10pm on occasions.

Due to ongoing construction challenges posed by tides and weather, working overnight between 10pm and 6am may be necessary on occasions to coincide with slack tide periods (relatively still water) for barge movements and to ensure the safety of workers and the community. Work during these times may also be required to safely carry out activities on the road.

Extended working hours may be required up to six days per week, including Sundays. These changes are not intended to occur every week but will be utilised for some work activities shown in the table below. We will make every effort to minimise these impacts where possible. As each new activity starts, we will notify you of the possible out of hours work required to achieve these tasks safely.

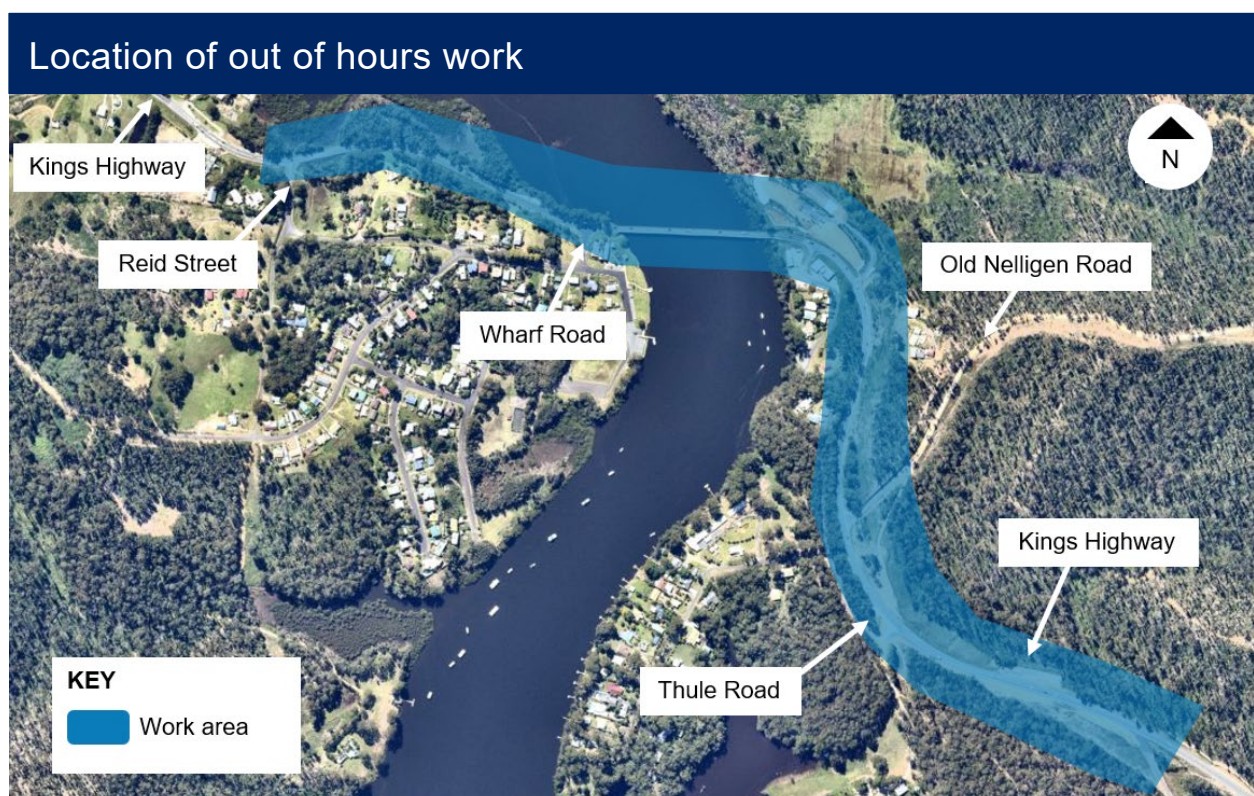
Activity	Activity timeframe
Constructing pile caps, piers, and headstocks	March 2022 to June 2022
Installing bridge girders and deck construction	March 2022 to December 2022
Road, drainage and pavement work	March 2022 to July 2023

Why do we need to work outside of standard construction hours?

These changes to extended working hours are not intended to be standard working hours each week, but will be utilised as required for the following reasons:

- **Safety** – work outside standard construction hours helps us improve safety by minimising the interactions between motorists, pedestrians, river users and workers. Safety of workers and the community is also assisted by scheduling works on the road outside peak times and large barge movements around slack tide periods.
- **Traffic** – to safely carry out activities, traffic may be stopped, detoured, or reduced to one lane. By working out of hours, delays are minimised and journey times for motorists are less affected.
- **Utilities** – work may be required out of hours to minimise impacts on utility services, networks and their customers.
- **Weather** – even when it is not raining, temperature, tides, currents and wind, especially in marine environments, can impact construction activities including installing large bridge elements such as bridge girders, pouring concrete and laying asphalt.
- **Quality** – the quality of concrete and asphalt can be impacted if activities are not continuous, or they occur during hot, cold or high wind periods.
- **Program** – out of hours work will help to ensure the project team deliver construction completion by the targeted date and by doing so reduce the overall duration of impacts on the community.

The changes to extended working hours will continue until bridge completion in late 2023, weather permitting.



How will the work affect you?

During this work we will be using machinery and equipment that generates light, noise and vibration. We will make every effort to minimise disruption by:

- completing work during regular working hours where possible
- turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use
- using noise shields, where practical
- directing temporary lighting down and away from homes, where safe to do so
- planning activities close to residents within standard construction hours and scheduling noisier activities earlier in the night, where possible
- fitting equipment with devices to minimise noise including reversing squawkers rather than beepers
- regularly monitoring noise so we can manage any potential impacts and adjust our work, where possible.

Equipment being used during proposed extended work hours includes light vehicles and trucks, excavators, tip trucks, graders, pavers, cranes, barges, tugboats, elevated working platforms, lighting towers, power tools, concrete pump trucks, drill rigs, rollers and water trucks. We will continue to regularly monitor noise and vibration impacts during this work.

Residents will always have access to and from their properties as normal unless agreed otherwise. Properties affected by utility service outages will be notified separately by the utility authority service provider.

Oversize machinery and equipment may be delivered to these areas at night to adhere to Transport Management Centre and Police requirements to avoid extended traffic delays during the day.

Contact us

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