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Western Corridor Road Upgrade – Minmi Road vegetation clearing

City of Newcastle (CN) has contracted Daracon to undertake this project, to improve safety and ease congestion in the growing western corridor.

What work are we doing?

We will be removing trees and vegetation within the project area along Minmi Road, from Maryland Drive to beyond the roundabout at Summerhill Road. Once cleared, the vegetation will be chipped on-site and transported away by trucks. We have included a map showing the location of the vegetation to be removed.

The clearing will be completed during:

- Day works for week commencing Monday 24 March for works east of roundabout, and limited works west of roundabout that can be completed safely off the road.
- Night works will start Sunday 30 March to Thursday 3 April for all remaining works west of the roundabout that are not able to be safely completed during the day.

What will this mean for you?

You may notice

- Workers and vehicles
- Lane closures and traffic control
- Noise from machinery and equipment

Machinery and other plant and equipment working in different areas throughout the night and will generate light, noise and vibration.

To minimise the impact on nearby residents, we will be using battery operated chainsaws after 10pm and any chipping will be completed before 10pm. We will also turn 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 control will be in place during the work and may affect travel times.

There may be short term intermittent stops and a temporary 40 km/h reduced speed limit outside of peak times through the work zone for the safety of motorists and workers.

Please allow for extra travel time, keep to speed limits, and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs.

Contacts



If you would like further information about the project, please refer to Council's website: newcastle.nsw.gov.au or contact the project team on 1800 953 700, or email <u>WCRU@daracon.com.au</u>

Local area landscaping

CN has put in a lot of effort to protect the existing tree canopy, but unfortunately, some street trees will still be impacted.

We plan to plant twice as many new trees in nearby areas and will be working to create beautiful native pollinator gardens along footpaths. For the public gardens alongside the road, CN will take care of planting and maintaining them.

We'd also love to invite residents to join our <u>street garden program</u>. You can cultivate garden beds right next to your property with our support. We will engage with the community further to ensure we work together to implement street gardens successfully.



Map showing approximate clearing limits



Want to learn more about how CN is planning for population growth and responding to these challenges?

Scan the QR code or visit our website and search 'street garden program'.