

Roadworks on Yass Road

Over the past few years Council has resurfaced the Canberra-bound lanes of the full length of Yass Road. The work has been done in stages.

In June 2020 we began work on the Queanbeyan-bound lanes, starting at the Canberra end. The first section was from Shropshire Street to Endurance Avenue.

Commencing 11 January 2021 we intend completing the Queanbeyan-bound lanes from Endurance Avenue to the Bungendore Road roundabout.

Council is undertaking these works on behalf of Transport for NSW (formerly known as RMS).

Why do we need to do this work?

Roads are made up of several layers. In simple terms there are the base or pavement layers; a binder course in the middle; and a relatively thin wearing course on top.

The pavement course beneath Yass Road is showing signs that it needs repair. This can be seen by cracks that are forming in the wearing course, leading to the road no longer being waterproof.

Council needs to fix these issues before they become a much larger and more expensive problem to solve.

Who is involved in this project

Council is coordinating the works on behalf of Transport for NSW who are funding the project. Council has sub-contracted some of the works to Patches Asphalt who will be the main contractor on site during the construction period.

How is the work being scheduled?

On Monday 11 January we will commence work at the intersection of Endurance Avenue and Yass Road. The work will be done as night works and will proceed in sections as follows:

- <u>Section 1</u> Endurance Avenue to Silva Avenue – 11-13 January
- <u>Section 2</u> Silva Avenue to Thurralilly Street – 14-18 January
- <u>Section 3</u> Thurralilly Street to opposite the Bowling Club entrance – 19-20 January
- <u>Section 4</u> opposite the Bowling Club entrance to Bungendore Road roundabout – 21-22 January

After the main works, there will be an intermediate layer applied for sections 3 and 4 from 25 to 27 January. All sections will receive a waterproof seal and application of the wearing surface from 28 January to 2 February. This will be followed by line and raised pavement marking.

We expected that the project will be fully complete in the first week of February 2021, weather permitting.

With the completion of this project, it is hoped that it will be many years before Yass Road requires maintenance to this degree again.

> Below: Cracks can be seen in the wearing course of Yass Road. This is a sign that layers beneath are beginning to fail. Cracks result in the road surface no longer being waterproof and the layers below deteriorating further.



The impact to residents

Apart from noise, there should be minimal disruption to residents on the western side of Yass Road where we conducted works last year.

To fix the pavement layer, we need to excavate to a depth of approximately 320mm. This work will be unavoidably noisy. We will be conducting the noisiest parts of the work between 6pm and 12am. We understand that this is not ideal and apologise in advance.

Residents of Mulloon Street will need to detour through Thurralilly Street to access their property at times during the works. Residents of the townhouses adjacent to Red Rooster may need to detour through the Bungendore Road driveway to the Red Rooster car park to access their property. We understand that this is not ideal, but we have no alternative.

We will minimise the impact of this project by getting the work done as quickly and safely as possible.

Night works

Work will primarily be conducted at night, between 6pm and 6am, to minimise the impact to traffic and to ensure the project can be completed as quickly as possible.

If the work was conducted during the day the project would take approximately two weeks longer, resulting in more disruption to residents, businesses and drivers.

The impact to businesses

To fix the pavement layer, we need to excavate to a depth of approximately 320mm in the travel lanes and 60mm in the parking lane. This work will be unavoidably noisy.

Conducting these roadworks at night allows us to minimise the impact on Yass Road businesses during their normal working hours. The night works is also allowing us to complete the project as quickly as possible.

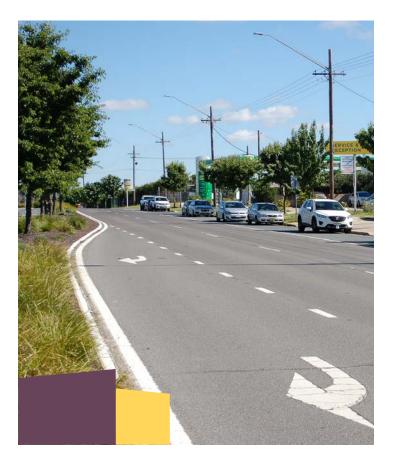
Some properties may experience minor access disruptions and reduced parking options for their customers, clients and staff. We aim to install small ramps to business driveways to maintain access.

Staff and customers of Red Rooster will need to use the Bungendore Road driveway to enter and exit Red Rooster at times during the work, particularly around 21-22 January. Access on to Yass Road from Red Rooster and the adjacent townhouses will be limited.

On-street parking

On-street parking on the eastern side of Yass Road will be unavailable for the duration of the works.

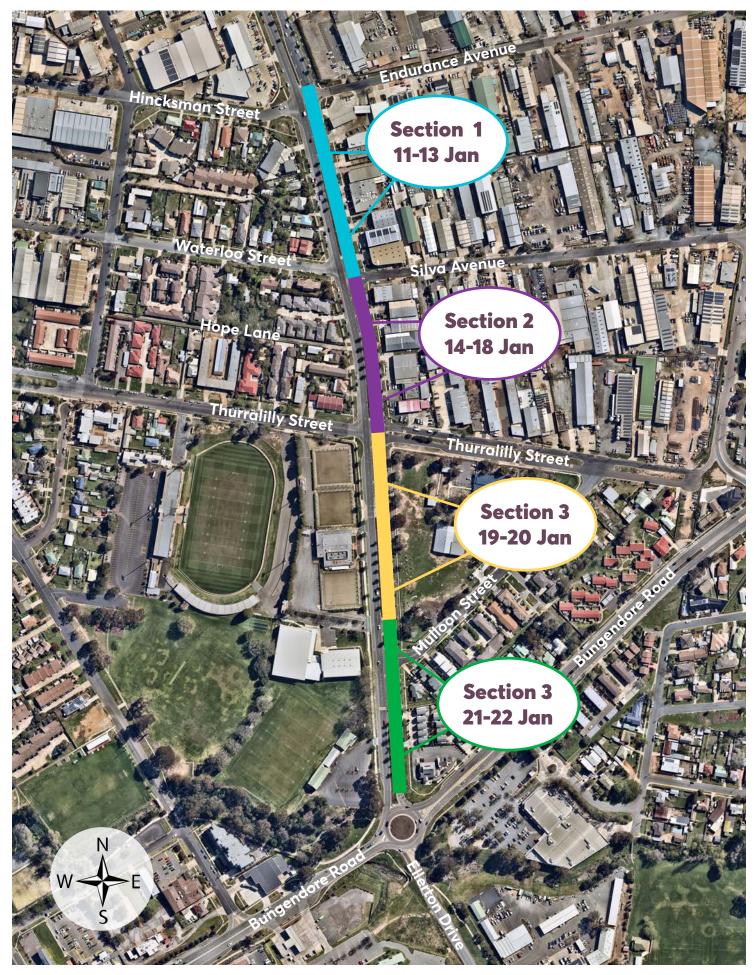
Employees and customers of businesses on the eastern side of Yass Road who regularly park on the road in front of their business will need to make alternative parking arrangements for the duration of the works.

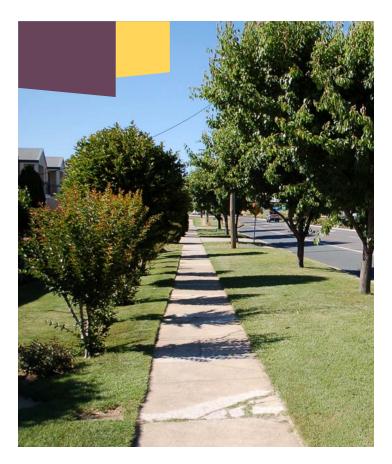




Map of Yass Road roadworks sections

In addition to the sections marked below, the work also involves sealing, applying a wearing surface and linemarking all sections. This will continue into the first week of February, weather permitting.





Pedestrian access

Pedestrian access along the eastern side of Yass Road will be maintained at all times. Pedestrians are reminded to take care around the construction site and obey all signage and instructions.



Waste collection

Council waste services provided for residents and businesses during this period will occur as normal on your usual days. If you aren't in the habit already, we suggest you ensure you put your bins on the verge the evening before collection in case the trucks come earlier on collection day than you are used to. Council is coordinating with the waste collection company to ensure they have access through the construction site.

Businesses who have a commercial waste service may wish to alert their provider about these roadworks.

The impact to drivers

During the work, lane closures and detours will be in place. At various times, all streets connecting with Yass Road may be used for detours during the night works. This is expected to result in increased traffic on streets such as Carrington Street and High Street that run parallel to the west of Yass Road and Faunce Street to the east. Drivers will be informed of the detours, changes to speed limits and the impending roadworks by roadside signage as they approach Yass Road.

When possible, one of the Queanbeyan-bound lanes of Yass Road will be open for traffic. This includes the parking lane which will either be under repair or required as a travel lane while we work on the other lanes. Temporary speed limits will be in place throughout the works.

The reduced speed limits will provide a safe environment for workers on foot and minimise risks to other road users.







During the construction, if you have any issues with access please contact:

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