The NSW Government has fully funded the construction of the Starkey Street Pedestrian Bridge and intersection upgrade at Warringah Road, Forestville. The project is designed to improve pedestrian and road safety, traffic flow through Forestville, and access to public transport.

Start of construction
Following a competitive tender process, Roads and Maritime Services has awarded the contract to Christie Civil to construct the new pedestrian bridge and intersection improvements. Construction will take around 12 months to complete and will start with the relocation of utilities and set up of the site compound in mid 2017.

Work will include
• Installing a pedestrian bridge on the eastern side of the Starkey Street/Warringah Road intersection. The pedestrian bridge includes stairs and lifts on both sides of the bridge
• Relocating the eastbound bus stop and shelter to the eastern side of the intersection
• Upgrading and constructing footpaths near the bridge and bus stops
• Installing fencing at the intersection and along the centre median to ensure pedestrian safety
• Installing bicycle parking facilities
• Landscaping
• Relocating services and utilities
• Installing a temporary site compound in the eastern corner of the public carpark. Several parking spaces will be removed during construction.

Why build the Starkey Street pedestrian bridge?
There is currently a very high demand for the pedestrian crossing at the traffic lights at Starkey Street, with more than 100 pedestrians per hour during peak periods. The minimum time for pedestrians crossing is 30 seconds. The frequency and length of time of the crossing causes significant traffic delays and congestion on Warringah Road during peak periods.

Roads and Maritime will deliver this project to:
• Improve the efficiency of traffic flows along Warringah Road, Forestville, particularly during peak periods.
• Reduce delays caused by pedestrians crossing at the lights
• Improve safety for pedestrians
• Improve safe access to public transport by placing bus stops near the bridge
• Provide landscaping and new footpaths.
During construction

There will be some noise associated with this work. We will make every effort to minimise noise by carrying out the noisiest work during the day or before midnight for night work, where possible.

Pedestrians will continue to use the existing pedestrian crossing signals and bus stops during construction.

There will be some temporary traffic changes to ensure the work zone is safe. Temporary lane closures will be in place during some construction activities outside of peak hours and may affect travel times.

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.

We will continue to communicate changes to bus stops and access as the project progresses.

What does the bridge include?

Further information

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