Old Murray Bridge Refurbishment Project

Temporary bridge closures

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) is undertaking major refurbishment works on the Old Murray Bridge.

As previously advised, temporary bridge closures will be required to enable works to be undertaken safely and efficiently. Every effort is being made to minimise the number of closures required.

The Department for Environment and Water has advised that Murray Darling Basin flows to South Australia are likely to continue to increase due to flooding in the upstream catchments. The extent of the increased flows may result in some flooding of the Old Murray Bridge Refurbishment Project worksite. The Department is working with emergency services to develop a plan to minimise any impacts on the project.

While delays to some aspects of the works are anticipated due to the high river flows, activities will continue in other areas not affected. For more information regarding the high flows of the River Murray please visit www.sa.gov.au/topics/emergencies-and-safety/river-murray-high-flows-2022

Due to the Murray River flood event and restricted access under the bridge, short-term closures of up to ten minutes will be required to move materials safely into work areas from the bridge level. Additional scheduled closures are also required once a week to dismantle and store scaffolding safely.

Bridge closures will occur on the following days, weather permitting:

Ten-minute closures, for movement of essential materials:

 Ongoing only when required from Monday, 12 December 2022, until April 2023. These short closures may occur Monday to Saturday, between 10am and 2pm.

Scheduled bridge closures:

• Each Tuesday in January and February 2023, full bridge closures will occur between 9:30am and 2:30pm.

During the temporary bridge closures, detours will be via the Swanport Bridge. Please see the 'Detour routes for temporary bridge closures' map included in this notice.

Advance notice of future scheduled temporary bridge closures will be provided via on site messaging boards, project updates and social media closer to this time.

Outside of bridge closure times, the single lane arrangement will continue for the duration of the project. Speed restrictions will remain in place on the approaches to the bridge, with temporary traffic lights in place to control the direction of the traffic at each end of the bridge.

Pedestrians and cyclists are advised to take care when travelling through the area. On-bridge access will be maintained for pedestrians and cyclists throughout the project, including during periods of temporary closure. Signage will be in place to direct pedestrians and cyclists on the bridge.

To receive advance notification of future temporary bridge closures and project updates please register via any of the options at the end of this notice.

For safety reasons, the existing temporary restrictions to pedestrian and cyclist access underneath the bridge will continue for the duration of the project. Signage is in place to direct pedestrians and cyclists to alternative access and/or detours.

Access to local businesses and residences in the area will be maintained at all times. Please continue to support the local businesses.

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Link SA services may be affected during the temporary bridge closures and some delays may be experienced during the works period. For further information regarding any changes to bus stops, routes and timetables please see signage on bus stops or visit www.linksa.com.au

Delays are expected so please plan ahead, allow extra travel time and take extra care when workers are on site. Observe speed limits, lane restrictions and traffic controllers when travelling through the area.

Access for emergency services vehicles will be maintained at all times during these works. During periods of temporary bridge closures, access for emergency services vehicles will be managed by the on-site traffic controller as required.

Some noise disturbance can be expected at times while these works are completed, however the works will be managed to minimise disturbance to nearby residents and businesses, as much as practically possible.

Environmental controls will be implemented to ensure there is no impact to the Murray River.

Major works are expected to be completed late 2023, weather permitting.

The Department appreciates your patience and cooperation whilst these important works are undertaken.

Please see details below to register for closure and project updates:

- call 1300 794 880
- visit www.dit.sa.gov.au/oldmurraybridge
- email dit.communityrelations@sa.gov.au
- register for project updates here

Kind regards

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