

## Inner West Busway along Victoria Road

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – 26 November, 2009

The RTA will commence an intensive program of work on Victoria Road in Drummoyne and at the approaches to the new bridge over Iron Cove on Sunday, 27 December 2009 extending to January 2010.

The reason for this special program of work is to take advantage of the lower traffic numbers which allows more work to be done on the road in a single 24 hour period. This means that the most complex work, requiring extended access to the roadway can be completed more quickly, instead of stretching over several months.

Some of the work will generate high levels of noise. The noisiest work will generally not go beyond midnight but other works will continue throughout the night. We recognise the difficulty of this situation for our neighbours on Victoria Road and every effort is being made by the project team to minimise the impact of construction on the local community during this period and then for the other works that will be happening throughout 2010.

The work will be undertaken around the clock, seven days a week. However, work will be suspended from midday on New Years Eve and resume at 5pm on New Years Day.

### Noise

Mitigation measures, such as limiting the noisiest activities to be done prior to midnight, will be implemented and noise levels will be closely monitored.

Intermittent periods of high noise levels after midnight and before 7am are sometimes unavoidable due to the nature of the roadworks. Nevertheless, the work has been carefully programmed to avoid this happening.

If you experience extended periods of very noisy work and are concerned, please contact the community relations team on 1300 780 841 at any time.

### Roadwork in Drummoyne

The concrete median between Iron Cove Bridge and Westbourne Street, Drummoyne will be removed for the tidal flow traffic scheme.

To do this the RTA will have several crews working around the clock for no more than two weeks from Sunday, 27 December 2009 to Monday, 11 January 2010.

The median lanes will be closed and clearways will be in place 24 hours a day. This means there will be no parking along this section of the road for this period. The road must be reopened at 5am on Monday 11 January 2010.

The work involves saw-cutting, concrete breaking, excavation, pavement restoration and installation of safety barriers.

Alternatives to this approach would mean residents and business owners would have the noisiest activities late at night and lose on street parking for many months through 2010 as the crews will not be able to work during the day due to traffic constraints.

### Bridge approaches

Approaches to the new bridge over Iron Cove need to be built to tie into Victoria Road in Drummoyne and Rozelle.

This work needs to be undertaken over a continuous period. It requires the closure of the clip on lane so that the road can be lowered for the new bridge. Once the work on the road pavement structure has commenced the road area cannot be re-opened to traffic until it has been completed.

The clip on lane can be closed due to the lower traffic numbers around this time of year. This means that this complex work can be completed more quickly, instead of extending over many weekends over several months.

The RTA will close the clip-on lane and work around the clock for up to three weeks from Sunday, 27 December 2009. The clip on lane is scheduled to be reopened at 5am on Monday, 18 January 2010.

The work also involves saw-cutting, concrete breaking, excavation, pavement construction and installation of safety barriers.

### Worker and road user safety

Traffic controllers and police will direct motorists and pedestrians safely around and through the worksite during these works.

A 40km/h roadwork speed limit will apply through Drummoyne between Gladesville Bridge and the Iron Cove Bridge.

All road users are requested to observe the signs and directions of police and traffic controllers.

### Need more information?

Please call the 24 hour community relations line on 1300 780 841 or email [victoriaroad@btba.com.au](mailto:victoriaroad@btba.com.au). Further information can be found on the Inner West Busway project website at [www.innerwestbusway.com.au](http://www.innerwestbusway.com.au).