

South Australian Regional Bridge Upgrades

Horrocks Highway (near Wilmington)

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) is upgrading a series of bridges and culverts across regional South Australia to extend the service life of the structures and improve safety for road users.

As part of this program, the Department is replacing the bridge over Spring Creek and the culvert at Little Spring Creek, on Horrocks Highway, south of Wilmington.

These works are jointly funded by the Australian and South Australian governments as part of the South Australian Rural Roads Package.

Spring Creek

Early works are underway with construction works planned to start shortly. Project completion is expected in mid 2023, weather permitting.

The works will include replacing the existing bridge with a wider structure and installing new safety and bridge barriers. Works will be undertaken between 7am and 5pm, Monday to Fridays and between 7am and 5pm on Saturdays until the completion of the Project.

To safely undertake these works a temporary detour will be in place for approximately 2 weeks, see details overleaf. Once Horrocks Highway re-opens, traffic will be reduced to a single lane with temporary traffic signals in place to control the direction of traffic. Speed restrictions will also be in place throughout the work area.

Little Spring Creek

Early works are underway with construction works planned to commence from Wednesday, 5 October 2022. Project completion is expected in early November 2022, weather permitting.

Works will include replacing the existing culvert with a wider structure and installing new safety barriers.

To minimise the impacts to road users, works will be undertaken continuously, both day and night for approximately two weeks, weather permitting. The planned temporary detour for Spring Creek will also allow works to be undertaken for Little Spring Creek.

Speed restrictions will be in place through the works area once Horrocks Highway re-opens to traffic until the completion of the works in early November 2022, weather permitting.

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Temporary detours

To accommodate both these works, a road closure will be in place on Horrocks Highway between Willowie Road and Spring Creek Road from Wednesday, 5 October 2022, for approximately two weeks, weather permitting.

During this time temporary detours will be in place for light and heavy vehicles around the bridge over Spring Creek and the culvert at Little Spring Creek. Please see Map 1 for light vehicle detour details, as well as important information for heavy vehicles below.

Following the two week detour period, a short diversion track will be in place adjacent to the Spring Creek Bridge. Please see Map 2 overleaf for details.

What to expect

Variable Message Signs are in place and will provide early notice of the traffic restrictions and detours.

Road users are asked to 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 service vehicles will be maintained through both worksites at all times during the works.

Access to properties will be maintained throughout the works, wherever possible, with advance notice provided if there is a need to temporarily restrict driveway access.

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

The Department appreciates your co-operation and patience while these important works are undertaken.

Important information for heavy vehicles

Horrocks Highway will be closed south of Wilmington between Willowie Road and Spring Creek Road, with detours around both bridges for Heavy Vehicles over 4 tonnes, from Wednesday, 5 October 2022, for approximately two weeks, weather permitting.

Heavy vehicles (travelling from Wilmington towards Adelaide) will be required to detour either via Willowie Road, Price Maurice Road (Council Road), Booleroo Road (Council Road), White Cliffs Road (Council Road) and Nukunu Yarta Way (Council Road) to Horrocks Highway, or alternatively via Horrocks Pass Road, Augusta Highway and Wilkins Highway to Horrocks Highway.

For details and a detour map please visit the project website www.dit.sa.gov.au/SARegionalBridges

For information regarding permits and potential changes to requirements please refer to the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) website or email info@nhvr.gov.au

Further information

To keep up to date as these works progress, we encourage the community to register for email updates. Please visit the project website www.dit.sa.gov.au/SARegionalBridges to register.

If you have any questions or would like to speak to a member of the project team, please call 1300 794 880 or email DIT.Engagement@sa.gov.au

Kind regards

South Australian Regional Bridge Upgrades Project Engagement Team

Map 1 Light vehicle detour - From Wednesday, 5 October 2022, for approximately two weeks, weather permitting.



Map 2 Spring Creek Bridge - Short diversion track with temporary traffic signals in place from late October 2022

