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Dear resident,

Re: Start of construction on Darling Mills Creek Bridge

The Hills M2 Upgrade will widen the existing motorway generally between Windsor Road, Baulkham Hills and Lane Cove Road, North Ryde and will deliver four new ramps to improve access to the motorway. The project aims to provide efficient and integrated transport for the community of Sydney's North-West. Major work started in January 2011 and is expected to take approximately two years to complete.

The Darling Mills Creek Bridge will be widened by about 3.5m on the eastbound carriageway (northern side) to provide one extra eastbound lane. Work on the Darling Mills Creek Bridge will start in the week beginning 14 March.

Key site establishment activities include:

- Establishment of traffic management on the motorway.
- Installation of erosion and sediment controls.
- Setup of a minor compound on the bridge deck (establishment of a compound under the bridge and temporary access tracks is subject to approval).
- Installation of access scaffolding.
- Clearing and mulching.

To reduce impacts to the environment a tower crane will be set up at this site which will:

- Reduce the amount of disturbance to vegetation underneath the bridge.
- Reduce the amount of overall night work required to widen the bridge.
- Enable the bulk of construction materials to be lowered into the compound from the motorway rather than being delivered on trucks through local access roads.

Other key construction activities that will be undertaken as part of the Darling Mills Creek Bridge widening work include:

- Concrete pours
- Piling work
- Demolition work
- Excavation and earthworks
- Crane lifts

This major work is expected to take approximately 18 months to complete. Work will be undertaken during standard construction hours, Monday to Friday from 7am to 6pm and Saturday from 8am to 1pm. However, due to safety reasons and high traffic volumes on the bridge, approval is being sought to carry out a portion of this work at night. A separate notification will be provided to potentially affected residents with dates and details prior to the start of any night work.



Hills M2 Upgrade
breakdown safety

In the case of breakdown:

- Stay in your vehicle
- Switch on your hazard lights
- Call **1800 196 266**
- Wait for assistance

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Traffic changes

Traffic management on the motorway will involve intermittent closures of the eastbound lanes and contra-flow arrangements. There will be signage and traffic management in place, please follow the directions of traffic controllers.

Pedestrian access

The public walking track underneath Darling Mills Creek Bridge will be closed for safety reasons during periods when construction activities are being undertaken. On occasions, when it is safe and feasible, a track will be re-opened for public use. Signs will be installed to indicate when the tracks are closed. Please see the map over for the suggested detour.

The community information line 1800 196 266 will be attended during the day and night during construction. Complaints received will be responded to within two hours and investigation of the complaint will proceed at the earliest opportunity. If you have any questions or would like to provide feedback please contact the project team on the 1800 number or email enquiries@hillsm2upgrade.com.au.

Kind regards

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Pedestrian detour – Darling Mills Creek

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