



Midway Point Intersection Solution

Night works in Midway Point and detour for Sorell-bound vehicles
April 2021

Temporary closure of the Sorell-bound lane of the Tasman Highway between Midway Point roundabout and the Sorell Causeway during night works from 19 April

The Midway Point Intersection project is a key part of the South East Traffic Solution (SETS), which will help improve safety and travel time reliability along the Tasman Highway between the Hobart Airport roundabout and the Arthur Highway south of Iron Creek Bridge.

The Department of State Growth is continuing to carry out this important work, which includes completing the excavation of approximately 9 metres of rock face next to the highway, to allow for the construction of two new lanes.

The works require the Sorell-bound lane of the Tasman Highway to be closed to ensure the safety of motorists. This is not something that can be achieved during the day due to the high volumes of traffic experienced through this area.

From **Monday 19 April**, we will be working **Monday to Friday**, between **7.00 pm** and **10.00 pm on a two-week on, two-week off basis** and expect to complete the work over **12 weeks**, weather permitting.

The night works will take place Monday to Friday between 19 – 30 April, followed by 16 nights off, and the next cycle of night works will begin at the earliest on Monday 17 May, weather permitting.

The highway will be closed between the Midway Point roundabout and Sorell Causeway **for Sorell-bound vehicles only** while the work takes place. Vehicles heading towards Sorell will follow a detour that by-passes the night works. We will let you know in advance if we need to do any work outside these times.

How will the work affect you?

The work will involve the use of machinery which generates excess noise and dust. We will make every effort to minimise noise by turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use.

Traffic changes

The temporary partial closure of the Tasman Highway is necessary to ensure the safety of road users.

Detours will be in place through Penna Road and Shark Point Road. The detour route will be clearly marked and traffic management will be in place to ensure the safety of workers and road users. We have included a map on the final page to show the alternate route.

Please keep to speed limits and follow the directions of traffic controllers and signs.

The Tasman Highway will **not be closed to vehicles travelling towards Hobart**, though Hobart-bound vehicles will be stopped intermittently while the night works take place. Traffic management will be in place to ensure the safety of workers and road users and will be designed to minimise impacts on traffic. Speed limits through the project site will be reduced to 40 km/h.

Motorists should allow up to fifteen (15) minutes extra travel time during this work.

Please keep to speed limits and follow the directions of traffic controllers and signs.

Contact

If you have any questions, please contact our contractor, Fulton Hogan, on 0473 144 399 or MidwaypointSETS@fultonhogan.com.au

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Thank you for your patience during this important work.

The map below shows the location of the highway closure and the temporary detour route is marked in purple.

