



Australian Jobs Act 2013

AIP Plan reference code:

Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Project Phase

Nominated project proponent: TRANSPORT FOR NSW

Project details

Name: New England Highway, Singleton Bypass

Location: Singleton, NSW

Type: Land transport facility

Purpose: Upgrade existing facility

Capital expenditure: \$500 million or more

Description: The Singleton Bypass project is located to the west of Singleton and connects the A15 New England Highway to the north and south of Singleton. The project involves the design and construction of approximately eight kilometres of new A15 highway (the bypass) with a single lane in each direction. Key features of the project include: (i) Connection with the New England Highway at the southern end of the bypass, including a southbound entry ramp and northbound exit ramp; (ii) A 600m long bridge at the southern connection; (iii) A 1.84 km long bridge over the Main North Railway line, Doughboy Hollow and the Hunter River floodplain, Army Camp Road and Putty Road; (iv) A full interchange with Putty Road; (v) Bridges over the Rose Point floodway, Hunter River and Gowrie Gates; and (vi) Connection at Maggie Street, including providing access to the nearby industrial area. The project is being designed, delivered and operated by Transport for NSW (TfNSW). TfNSW will procure a head contractor from the private sector to undertake the detailed design and construction phases. TfNSW has invited Registrations of Interest via the NSW Government eTendering website, with the formal Request for Tender process commencing in early 2023. It is expected that the head contractor will be appointed by Q3 2023 and will commence detailed design of the works soon after. The head contractors' procurement activities will also commence at that stage, ahead of the commencement of main construction works by early 2024. The project will be open to traffic by late 2026. Each head contractor will be contractually required to comply with, and report against, the approved AIP plan

Completion date: 18 Dec 2026

Key goods and services

Indicative list of key goods and services to be acquired for the project:

| Key goods and services | Opportunities for Australian entities* | Opportunities for non-Australian entities | Explanation for no opportunities for Australian entities |
|---|--|---|--|
| Environmental Works | Yes | Yes | |
| Fabricated and/or structured reinforcing steel | Yes | Yes | |
| Concrete | Yes | Yes | |
| Traffic Management and Temporary Works | Yes | Yes | |
| Public Utilities Adjustments | Yes | Yes | |
| Bulk Earthworks | Yes | Yes | |
| Retaining Walls | Yes | Yes | |
| Drainage | Yes | Yes | |
| Bridges | Yes | Yes | |
| Pavements | Yes | Yes | |
| Finishing Works | Yes | Yes | |
| Traffic Signage, Signals and Controls | Yes | Yes | |
| Supplementary Items, e.g., pedestrian paving, signage, fencing, landscaping | Yes | Yes | |
| Street lighting | Yes | Yes | |
| Safety Barriers | Yes | Yes | |
| Design, engineering, professional and survey services | Yes | Yes | |

* An Australian entity is an entity with an ABN or ACN

Project standards:

Australian

TfNSW stipulates in the contract documents the use of Australian Standards where suitable standards are available, and also specifies the use of TfNSW design guides and technical specifications.

Supplier information and communication

Project proponent's contact person for supplier enquiries:

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Contact person position Project Support Engineer
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Project proponent website: <https://roads-waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/new-england-highway/singleton-bypass/index.html>

Project opportunities website: Upon award of the construction contract a link to each the Head Contractor's procurement opportunities website will be provided on the TfNSW project website at <https://roads-waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/new-england-highway/singleton-bypass/index.html>

Supplier engagement and communication actions :

- Promote project opportunities through industry associations
- Conduct supplier information briefings on project opportunities and bid processes
- Issue media releases or ASX announcements on project developments and opportunities
- Develop and distribute a supplier information guide for the project

Building Australian industry capability

Supplier capability development actions:

- Recommend suppliers undertake training and/or accreditation
- Support supplier development initiatives of industry associations or governments

Global supply chain integration actions:

- Introduce suppliers to global supply chain partners
- Facilitate strategic partnering and joint ventures between Australian and international suppliers
- Support supplier export and global integration initiatives of industry associations or governments

Feedback process for unsuccessful bidders:

TfNSW provides formal feedback to tenderers (including successful) in relation to their tender submission. Unsuccessful tenderers will be notified in writing of the outcome of the procurement process and they will also be provided an opportunity for a debrief session. TfNSW provides formal feedback to contractors in relation to their performance on the contract every 3 months and at completion of the contract. The performance feedback is in a form consistent with Austroads guidelines for contractor performance reports and covers a range of aspects including contract management, cooperation, safety, environment, quality, management of sub-contractors, programme and technical. Contractors are given the opportunity to provide a response. The purpose of the performance report is to identify areas for improvement and to recognise high performing companies. The information is shared with other state road authorities on request. The project's procurement entities and head contractors will be contractually required to offer feedback to unsuccessful suppliers that will include recommendations of relevant training, skills, capability and capacity development.