

# BULIMBA-HAMILTON SIPHON RENEWAL PROGRAM



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## Project Update

Construction of the temporary bypass pipeline for the Bulimba-Hamilton Siphon has begun and a barge will be working on the river starting at Hamilton from the week of Monday 23 September.

The one-kilometre-long pipe will be installed from a 55-metre-long barge on the river. Starting near the Bretts Wharf ferry terminal, the barge will move diagonally across the river to Bulimba, gradually lowering sections of pipe.

The temporary bypass pipeline will connect into the wastewater network at Riverview Terrace in Hamilton and at Bolan Street in Bulimba, where a temporary pump station is currently being built.

Once complete, wastewater flows will be diverted to the temporary bypass pipeline so the siphon can be taken offline for essential works to replace both pipes.



To see a short video which shows how the pipe will be installed, please visit <https://urbanu.com.au/Bulimba-Hamilton-Siphon>.

## What do I need to look out for?

**River users** should look out for the navigational buoys around the barge which will indicate what side river traffic should pass on. The barge will be lit and manned 24/7 for safety and security. There will also be reductions in speed limits in the area.

**Ferry users** will notice that boats will move slowly around the barge, but CityCats don't anticipate any major service disruptions.

**Riverside residents and businesses** may notice increased noise from time to time during the pipeline installation, and we apologise for any disruption this may cause. We know sound travels further over water which is why works are scheduled from 6.30am to 6.30pm on Monday to Saturday to minimise any impacts.

## How long will the barge be on the river?

The barge is forecast to be on the river until December 2024, gradually moving diagonally around 120 metres each week from Hamilton to Bulimba. Works will be from 6.30am to 6.30pm Monday to Saturday.

## How's the pipe connecting to the network at Hamilton?

The temporary bypass pipeline will connect into the existing wastewater network at Riverview Terrace, Hamilton and be operational in early 2025. The pipe will run under the Kingsford Smith Drive bikeway and pedestrian pathway through an existing tunnel.

## What does the temporary pump station look like?



The temporary bypass pipeline will be connected to a temporary pump station which is now under construction at the end of Bolan St, Bulimba and will be largely underground.

Wastewater flows will be diverted from the siphon into the temporary bypass pipeline and pumped across the river.

*This is an artist impression of the temporary pump station looking west; the temporary pump station is largely underground.*

## Committed to keeping you informed

The Bulimba-Hamilton Siphon is one of the city's most important, but hidden pieces of infrastructure. It will take several years to complete the Bulimba-Hamilton Siphon Renewal Program as replacing the pipes deep under the river is a complex job.

We thank you for your patience and understanding as we complete these essential works, and we will continue to provide you with updates on the project's progress.

## Contact us

If you have any questions or concerns, you can get in touch with us at [alerts@urbanutilities.com.au](mailto:alerts@urbanutilities.com.au) or call **1800 573 215**. You can also request a call back from a member of our Bulimba-Hamilton Siphon project team through this email address – just include your best contact number.

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