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## Ultimo wastewater emergency work - March update

Sydney Water is continuing emergency work to manage and repair a leak in a deep wastewater pipe near Darling Harbour. We are also completing urgent repairs at the intersection of Jones and Quarry Streets in Ultimo, where a maintenance hole was damaged and the road surface has subsided.

We've identified increased risk within the damaged wastewater pipe at Darling Harbour. While the situation is being safely managed, we now need to move quickly toward a permanent solution. To do this, we must divert wastewater away from the affected pipe by activating the bypass system installed in late 2025 at Jones and Quarry Streets and at Wentworth Park.

To ensure the bypass operates safely and effectively and to bolster the reliability of our network, we must expedite the remaining work at Ultimo. This means construction activity will take place 7 days a week. We expect this stage of work to take approximately 3 to 6 weeks to complete.

Once the repair work at Jones Street is complete, the bypass system will be fully operational. When activated, it will divert wastewater away from the affected pipe at Darling Harbour, allowing long-term repair planning to progress safely.

### What this work involves

- Repairing two damaged maintenance holes at Jones Street
- Repairing the road subsidence at the corner of Quarry and Jones Streets
- Condition assessment of other Maintenance holes in Jones Street.

### Working hours

- Monday to Sunday 7am to 7pm, although for some activities we may need to work outside of these hours.

### What you may notice

- Increased noise from construction activity
- Increased vehicle movements
- Partial closure of the Jones and Quarry Streets intersection
- Minor noise from pumping station at Wentworth Park, when in operation
- 24/7 traffic control in place to keep workers and the community safe

### This work will not interrupt your water or wastewater services.

For questions, contact our Community Engagement Team at [SouthCommunity@sydneywater.com.au](mailto:SouthCommunity@sydneywater.com.au) or 1800 006 113 (option 6). After-hours or emergencies contact 13 20 90.

We understand that our work can impact the community. Thank you for your patience as we complete this critical repair.

Yours sincerely



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