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Tamworth Intermodal Rail Line

The NSW Government is reactivating five kilometres of non-operational rail line between West Tamworth and Westdale. Reactivation of the rail line will allow rail access to the Tamworth Regional Freight Terminal to be located near Goddards Lane. Main construction work began in January 2021 and is due to be completed by late 2021.

Permanent closure of pedestrian level crossing

Following community and stakeholder consultation undertaken in 2020, the pedestrian level crossing between **Gunnedah Road and Bridge Street** will be permanently closed as of **31 July 2021**.

The permanent closure of the pedestrian level crossing was gazetted on 11 June 2021.

The reason for the closure is primarily one of safety. An extensive train shunting sequence is required to enable trains to navigate through the West Tamworth rail yard onto the reactivated line.

The shunting sequence requires trains to move forwards and backwards multiple times across the crossing. At times a train may also be stationary across the pedestrian crossing.

These movements introduce an unacceptable safety risk for pedestrians and cyclists.

Signage and fencing will be installed at the pedestrian level crossing to mark its closure and the maze arrangement will be removed.

Alternate pedestrian crossings

The nearest alternate rail corridor crossings are located 730m south at the **Oxley Highway overbridge** and 800m north at **Denison Street level crossing**. See map.

Access to these alternate crossings will be improved through the installation of way finding signage, construction of new pedestrian paths either side of the Denison Street pedestrian level crossing, and improvements to the Denison Street pedestrian level crossing surface and fencing maze arrangement.



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