

# M2 Upgrade

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## CYCLIST ROUTE DURING CONSTRUCTION

For safety reasons, cyclists would not be able to use the motorway breakdown lane during the M2 Upgrade's construction period. Prior to the commencement of construction an alternative cycle route would be established.

The alternative cycle route is being developed in consultation with key stakeholders, including local councils and local bicycle user groups. Wherever possible, the alternative route would link in with existing and future proposed cycle paths from Macquarie Park through to the Hills District. The map below shows the preferred alternative cycle route.

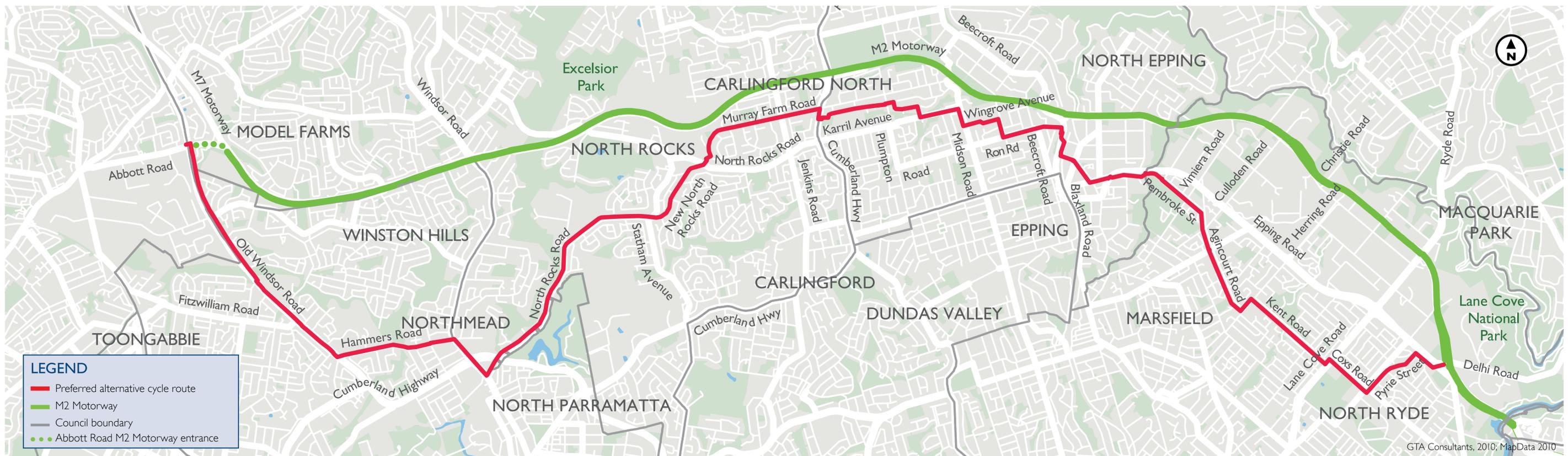
The alternative route for cyclists would be clearly marked and signposted.

Preferred alternative cycle route issues include:

- **Length** – Five kilometres longer than the M2 Motorway route from the Hills District to Macquarie Park.
- **Time** – About a 30 minute longer trip from the Hills District to Macquarie Park.
- **Grade** – Steeper grades since it would follow the natural contour of the land.
- **Connectivity** – Enhances local connectivity to areas such as North Parramatta, North Rocks, North Ryde shops and Epping CBD and railway station.

On completion of the Upgrade the shared breakdown lanes would be reinstated for cyclists along the full length of the motorway in both directions from Delhi Road to Abbott Road, including through the Norfolk Tunnel.

Artist impression shows westbound traffic at Beecroft Road exit. On completion of the upgrade works, the breakdown lanes would be reinstated along the full length of the motorway in both directions



GTA Consultants, 2010; MapData 2010