## **Jenny Aitchison**Minister for Regional Transport and Roads



### Media Release

# Major Mitchell Highway upgrade complete between Dubbo and Narromine

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A \$32 million NSW Government project to build new overtaking lanes on the Mitchell Highway between Dubbo and Narromine has been completed.

The three new overtaking lanes along the 36-kilometre stretch of the Mitchell Highway will provide a safer journey and reduce travel times.

As part of the project, significant intersection upgrades have been made at Wynsley Lane and Lagoon Creek, allowing motorists to turn on and off the highway more safely.

The Government took the opportunity to support the Dubbo, Narromine and Gilgandra communities by:

- employing Transport for NSW crews and contractors who were predominately based in the region and by
- repurposing surplus construction materials for the Narromine-Dubbo Rifle Club for a new wheelchair-accessible shooter's platform, shouting mounds and all-weather road for yearround club access.

#### Minister for Regional Transport and Roads Jenny Aitchison said:

"The Mitchell Highway is an important freight and tourism route. It's great to see the NSW Labor Government is investing in regions like Dubbo, Narromine and Gilgandra.

"On a recent visit to Narromine I could see why motorists are so excited about these new overtaking lanes that have slashed travel times, increased safety and allowed for a smoother journey.

"The NSW Labor Government thanks all the workers and crews who spent two years making this project a reality for the more than 5000 motorists who use this road daily."

#### Dubbo Duty MLC Stephen Lawrence said:

"Covid and 68 days of bad weather caused delays to this project but despite the challenges from the pandemic and mother nature, this project was completed on time and on budget.

"Congratulations to everyone involved and thank you for your commitment to better roads in regional NSW."

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