



Transport for NSW

Berry to Bomaderry Princes Highway upgrade

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Asphalt work nearing completion on the southbound lane of the Princes Highway upgrade near Strongs Road overpass

The \$450 million Berry to Bomaderry Princes Highway upgrade will improve safety, increase road capacity, improve traffic flow and deliver better and more reliable journeys.

The remaining 10 kilometre link between Gerringong and Bomaderry is nearing completion with the final layer of asphalt currently being laid. This upgrade will provide a continuous dual-carriageway between Waterfall and Jervis Bay Road, south of Nowra. The project is expected to be complete and open to traffic in early 2022, weather permitting. The upgraded highway will improve road transport capacity to cater for future traffic growth and the needs of a growing population of Berry, Bomaderry and surrounding areas. The new four-lane highway will reduce traffic delays and improve safety and traffic flow.



Improving
traffic flow



Better and more
reliable trips
for people, businesses and freight



Improving
safety

Jaspers Creek rehabilitation work

The project has rehabilitated six creeks across the project with the largest being at Jaspers Creek. At the beginning of the project Jaspers Creek was choked by invasive weeds, lantana, coral trees and privet.

Thickets of lantana, privet and coral trees have been replaced with plantings including riparian plants, various local forest and woodland trees which are native to the Shoalhaven. The work required coordination between the construction team, ecologists, landscapers, and government agencies to be able to demolish the former bridge and construct two new bridges, while protecting the waterway and the local aquatic fauna that made their habitat in Jaspers Creek.



Fauna enjoying their new environment



Jaspers Creek before construction



Completed rehabilitation work at Jaspers Creek

What we have achieved so far



Upcoming work

Over the coming months work will be continuing across the highway upgrade. Key activities include:

- The final layer of asphalt is underway between Mullers Lane, Berry and Cambewarra Road/Moss Vale Road, Bomaderry with about 30,000 tonnes of asphalt to be laid
- 26 hectares of landscaping work including seed revegetation and 117,000 plants to be planted
- Installation of 105 precast retaining wall panels on the Strongs Road overpass retaining wall
- Highway and local road street lighting to be completed and switched on.



Final layer of asphalt being laid on the new northbound carriageway



Young trainees who worked on the Berry to Bomaderry upgrade

Supporting local employment - Industry Skills Legacy Program

A successful training facility, the 'Bomaderry Hub' was established for the Berry to Bomaderry upgrade as part of the NSW Government's Infrastructure skills Legacy Program.

The program has provided upskilling and training of under-represented or disadvantaged groups within the region to be employed on the project. As well as hosting a variety of training programs for these groups, the hub was also available to current employees with the focus of having one in four employees in training to build on their skills.

As a result, the project was able to achieve:

- Over 500 people completing a training course
- Over 6000 hrs in the training Hub
- 12 apprentices working on site
- 28 trainees working on site
- Workers on the project had access to over 150 different courses in relevant areas such as:
 - Plant operations
 - Safety
 - High risk works
 - Project management
 - Construction
 - Office administration.



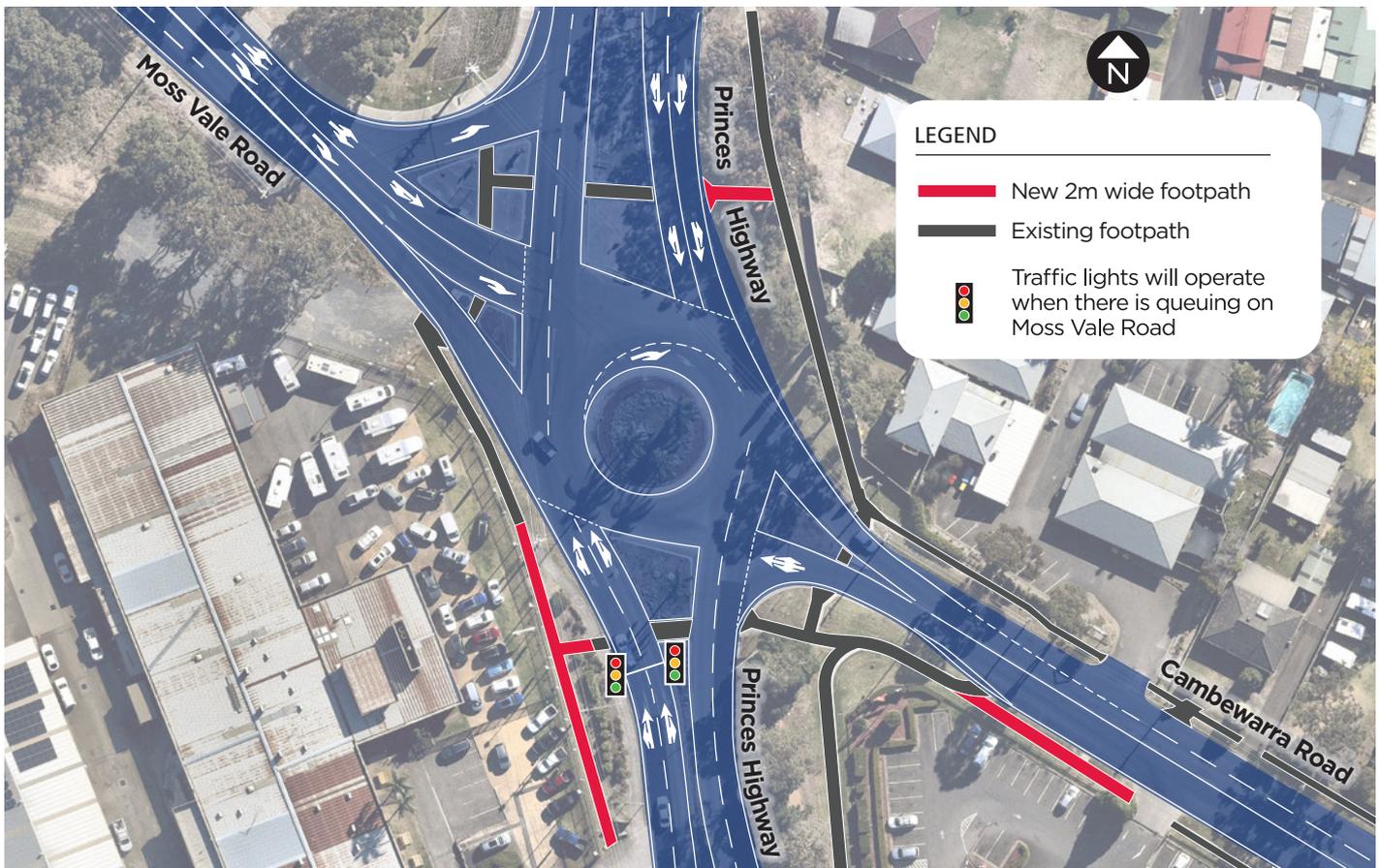
Trainees learning how to lay and level concrete pavement

New traffic lights at the Cambewarra Road/Moss Vale Road roundabout

New traffic lights will be installed on the northbound carriageway of the Princes Highway to help drivers on Moss Vale Road have better access to the Princes Highway. Traffic sensors will detect when queues are building along Moss Vale Road and activate the traffic lights to briefly pause northbound highway traffic. The rest of the time the roundabout will operate as normal.

As part of the work, 100 metres of shared path for pedestrians and cyclists will also be built or moved near the roundabout to increase safety and active transport options.

Work started early November with the traffic lights expected to be complete and operational before Christmas, weather permitting.



 **Increase**
overtaking opportunities


increase road capacity

 **Planning**
for the future

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