

Dignams Creek Princes Highway upgrade

Community Update

April 2019





Dignams Creek Princes Highway upgrade during first stage of construction (June 2017) and at end of construction (March 2019)

The Princes Highway upgrade at Dignams Creek is now complete.

Motorists can expect a safer journey as they travel along the improved highway.

Project completion

Work on the \$45 million Princes Highway upgrade at Dignams creek began in April 2017. Over the past two years over 600,000 tonnes of earth was moved across the project, which has been completed two months ahead of schedule.

Roads and Maritime Services would like to thank the local community for their patience while work was carried out.

In December 2018, traffic switched from the existing Princes Highway onto two kilometres of improved highway.

Progress in the last three months included:

- road resurfacing south of Dignams Creek Road
- · revegetation works
- completion and opening of the new Dignams Creek Road intersection.

The new intersection for Dignams Creek Road opened in February 2019, improving sight distance and safety for motorists.









A history in photos

With the project now complete we take a look at the history of the Princes Highway at Dignams Creek.

C 1890 Dignams Creek Bridge. The original McDonald timber truss bridge was destroyed by a flood in 1934. Photo: State Library of New South Wales 02271.

October 1936 the reconstructed concrete Dignams Creek Bridge is complete. Photo: Department of Main Roads NSW Annual Report 1935-36.

March 2018 traffic switched onto a temporary road at the northern end of the work site to allow work on the new section of highway.

December 2018 open to traffic. The new section of highway is complete; traffic travels on the upgraded Princes Highway.







C 1920 Dignams Creek Memorial Hall located beside the Princes Highway before Dignams Creek Bridge. Built as a World War I memorial, the hall served the community until it was dismantled in 1978. Photo: B. Pretty.

2008 Roads and Maritime start planning for an upgrade of the Princes Highway at Dignams Creek.



April 2017 major work starts following early investigation work, the development and display of a concept design, Review of Environmental Factors and detailed design.



October 2018 work continues to complete Dignams Creek and Dignams Creek Road Bridges. The girders used to construct the bridges weigh 16 tonnes each!



April 2019 major work is complete.



If you need help understanding this information, please contact the **Translating and Interpreting Service** on 131 450 and ask them to call us on 1800 870 118.

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