

## Foxground and Berry bypass Toolijooa Road to Schofields Lane

The Foxground and Berry bypass project would provide a four-lane divided highway (two lanes each direction) with median separation for 11.6 kilometres of the Princes Highway between Toolijooa Road and Schofields Lane. The alignment would include bypasses of the winding section of highway near Foxground and the Berry township with access ramps at the north and south of town.

### Key features

Some key features of the concept design include:

- Around 6.6 kilometres of new highway, including bypasses of the Foxground bends and the Berry township.
- Grade separated interchanges at Toolijooa Road, Austral Park Road, Tindalls Lane and the northern and southern interchanges for Berry.
- A cutting about 25 metres deep at Toolijooa Ridge, bypassing the Foxground bends.
- Six lanes through the cutting at Toolijooa Ridge for a distance of 1.5 kilometres, providing two lanes and a climbing lane in each direction.
- Three bridge crossings at Broughton Creek and a bridge at Berry.
- An upgrade and extension of Austral Park Road.
- A roundabout at the junction of Woodhill Mountain Road and the existing Princes Highway.
- A diversion of Town Creek into Bundewallah Creek.
- Proposed local road closures at North and Victoria streets.
- New property accesses and access roads. Left-in / left-out only for direct property access to the upgraded highway.
- Wildlife crossings (rope bridges and underpasses) to maintain existing wildlife corridors.

### Key benefits

This is an important proposal for the community because it would:

- **Improve road safety and traffic efficiency by:**
  - Removing through traffic from Berry.
  - Providing a 100 km/h travel speed for motorists.
  - Providing minimum 2.5 metre left hand side shoulders and clear zones to assist driver recovery.
  - Providing two lanes in each direction and climbing lanes along steeper sections improving overtaking safety.
  - Reducing conflict points for traffic entering and exiting the upgraded highway.
  - Providing upgrades at all minor side road junctions by including deceleration lanes.
  - Providing pedestrian and cyclist access along both sides of the proposed Kangaroo Valley Road bridge.
- **Support regional and local economic development by:**
  - Minimising impact on high quality agricultural land.
  - Maintaining direct access to Berry.
  - Reducing travel time for freight and commercial vehicles.

- **Consider all potential environmental and social impacts by:**

- Providing fauna crossings to improve safety for wildlife and motorists.
- Minimising disturbance to threatened species and wetlands.
- Integrating the natural contours of the land and the existing highway alignment into the design.
- Preserving the heritage conservation area at Pulman Street in Berry.
- Retaining public land along the southern side of the upgraded highway from Kangaroo Valley Road to Camp Quality Memorial Park.
- Preserving future use of Mark Radium Park and providing pedestrian access to the green space along the northern edge of Berry.

- **Improve flood immunity by:**

- Constructing additional ramps to provide flood free access to Berry.
- Diverting Town Creek into Bundewallah Creek, reducing flooding impacts experienced within Berry.

### Have your say

Your comment on the proposed Foxground and Berry bypass project is welcome.

**Written submissions must be received no later than Monday 17 December 2012.**

The Department of Planning and Infrastructure prefers to receive written submissions online via their **website** at [www.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au).

If you cannot lodge your submission online it can be sent via **email** to [plan\\_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au) or via **mail** to Director Infrastructure Projects Department of Planning and Infrastructure GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001

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### Environmental assessment report available

The environmental assessment report is available on the project website at [www.rms.nsw.gov.au/fbb](http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/fbb) or on CD on request.

### Part 3A environmental assessment for the Foxground and Berry bypass project



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