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GERRINGONG UPGRADE – PRINCES HIGHWAY COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS

Dear resident/business operator,

Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) is upgrading the Princes Highway between Mount Pleasant and Toolijooa Road. This work is funded by the NSW Government. The \$310 million upgrade will provide 7.5 kilometres of upgraded highway and include two new interchanges at Gerringong and Gerroa.

RMS has contracted Fulton Hogan to design and construct the Gerringong upgrade. Detailed design started in January 2012 and construction is expected to start in July. Project completion is expected in the first half of 2015, weather permitting.

As part of the detailed design, there has been considerable activity along the existing highway and on private properties. This investigation work has informed the designers on geotechnical matters and the location of utilities. This has assisted in refining the new highway alignment, the design of bridges and drainage structures. It has also provided essential information in relation to decisions for construction staging.

The following key activities will be undertaken in July and August, (weather permitting).

- Establishment of a permanent site compound at 446 Princes Highway, Gerringong. The site is located on the western side of the Princes Highway, immediately north of Belinda Street. This will include a permanent community display and be open to the general public by the end of August 2012. Work to be undertaken as part of this establishment includes:

Earthworks for sediment control, construction of access roads, service connections and construction of office buildings, and amenities for the project workforce.

- There will be relocation of water mains along the Princes Highway between Mount Pleasant and Fern Street on both the eastern and western sides of the road.
- There will be installation of boundary fences for properties adjoining the new highway boundary. The property owners affected by these boundary works will be consulted about fence type, stock management during the fencing works and timing of the fencing works. Access to the affected properties will be maintained at all times.

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- Fencing around heritage sites and sensitive vegetation to ensure their protection from any damage during construction will have already been established.
- Widening of shoulders at various locations will also occur as part of the preparations to undertake the work.
- Traffic and speed changes. There will be changes to traffic arrangement near Belinda Street to accommodate site compound traffic.
- Concrete traffic barriers and temporary traffic control signage along the highway will be installed. Reduced speed limits will be introduced in sections where necessary

Construction activities will occur Monday to Friday 7am to 6pm and Saturday from 8am to 1pm. Residents close to construction activities occurring outside normal working hours will be notified.

For more information about the Gerringong upgrade, please visit the website www.rms.nsw.gov.au/gu or email gerringongupgrade@fultonhogan.com.au or write to Gerringong upgrade Fulton Hogan PO BOX 364 Gerringong NSW 2534

Yours faithfully,

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