

# To the **householder**



**Transport**  
Roads & Traffic  
Authority

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Dear resident

## **Re: Princes Highway, Gerringong upgrade**

Planning is progressing well for the Princes Highway Gerringong upgrade which will provide approximately 7.5 kilometres of new four-lane highway between Mount Pleasant and Toolijooa Road. Construction is expected to commence in 2012.

The Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) advertised for registrations of interest in November 2010, resulting in a short list of applicants being selected. Contractors have now been invited to tender for the design and construction of this highway upgrade.

### **What happens next?**

Property acquisitions are underway with survey work and geotechnical investigations continuing.

The RTA is continuing to consult with the project's Aboriginal Focus Group. Aboriginal archaeological site investigations have been completed and an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit is being obtained to carry out salvage works over the next few months.

The upgrade will include:

- A new carriageway generally following the existing highway alignment with a median barrier.
- A posted 100 km/h speed limit over most of the upgrade.
- A new grade separated interchange at Belinda Street with a service road connecting to Willowvale Road.
- A third southbound lane for slow vehicles from Willowvale Road for approximately one kilometre.
- A new grade separated interchange at Rose Valley Road and service road connecting to Fern Street.
- A new overbridge replacing the railway level crossing in Fern Street.
- Improving highway flood immunity to the level of a one in 100 year flood.
- Preserving the largest Moreton Bay fig tree at the Rose Valley interchange.

I look forward to keeping you up to date as the project progresses and will advise you of temporary construction impacts, such as changed traffic conditions, throughout the project.

Yours faithfully

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