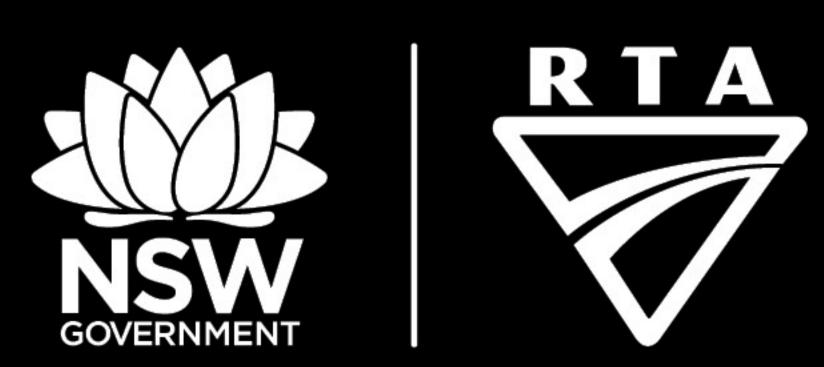
To the householder



NOVEMBER 2010

Dear resident,

Re: Gerringong upgrade, Princes Highway

Submissions Report

The Gerringong upgrade will provide approximately 7.5 kilometres of upgraded highway between Mount Pleasant and Toolijooa Road. In June 2010 the RTA displayed a review of environmental factors (REF) to show the potential environmental and social impacts associated with the proposed upgrade. The community was invited to comment and 72 submissions were received from the community and stakeholders.

The issues raised in the submissions and responses to each issue are provided in the submissions report which has now been published. The report is available for download from the project website at www.rta.nsw.gov.au. A copy of the report is also available for viewing at the following locations:

Project Office

Shop 3/113 Queen Street, Berry Open Fridays 10am to 5pm.

RTA Southern Region

Level 4, 90 Crown Street, Wollongong Open weekdays 9am to 5pm.

Since the display of the REF, the RTA has refined the design to address issues raised in submissions and feedback from the community. The design improvements are shown overleaf.

What happens next?

Tenders for design and construction of the Gerringong upgrade will be invited by mid 2011. During the preparation of the detailed design, consultation will continue for design aspects such as noise mitigation and private property impacts.

Site investigations will take place as part of the detailed design process and will include geotechnical investigations and surveys to determine the location and depth of utilities such as gas, electricity and phone lines.

Construction is expected to commence in 2012.

The community will continue to be informed of temporary construction impacts, such as changed traffic conditions, throughout the project.

Yours faithfully

Ron de Rooy

Senior Project Manager

For more information:

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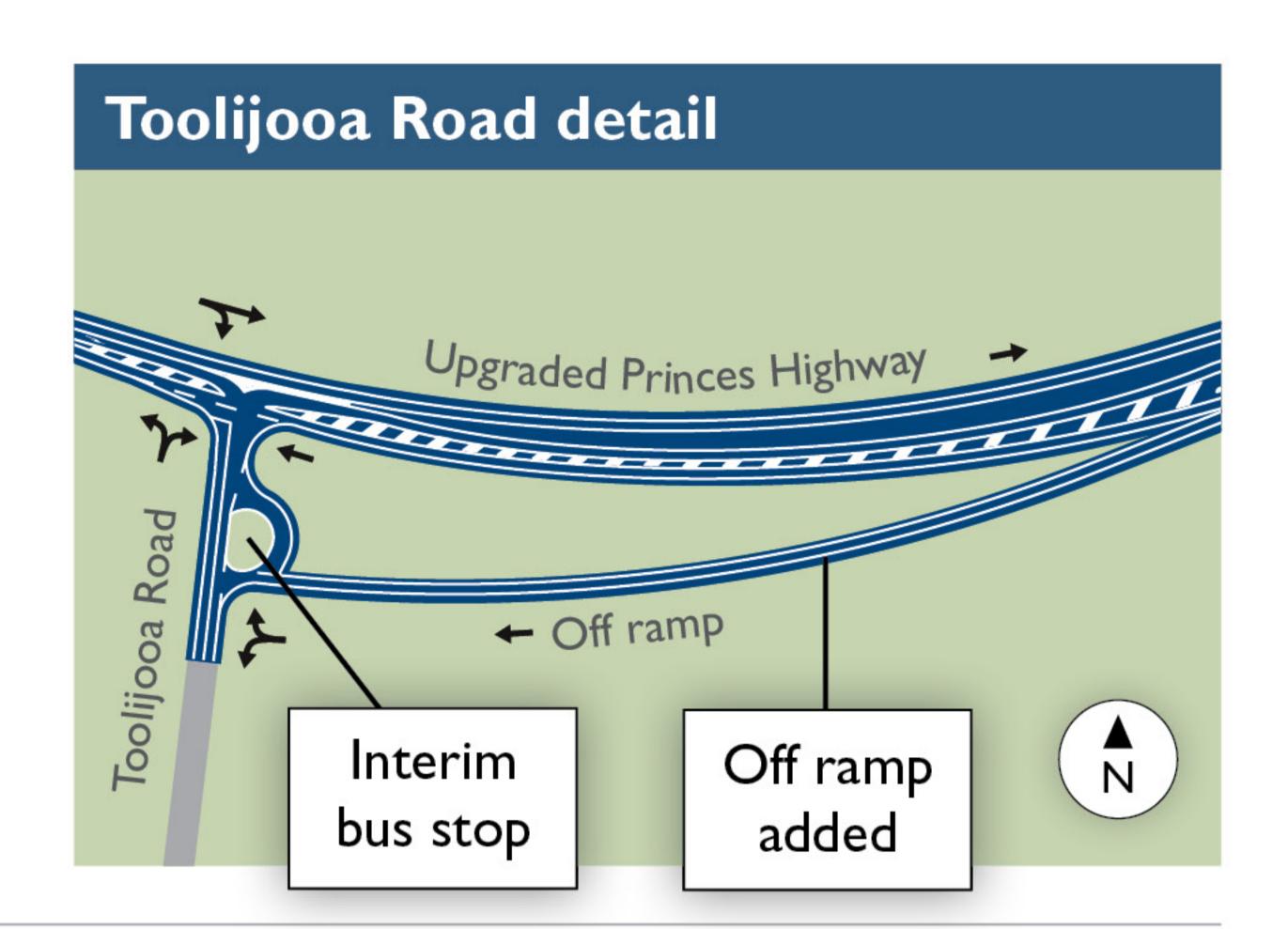
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RTA design improvements following community feedback

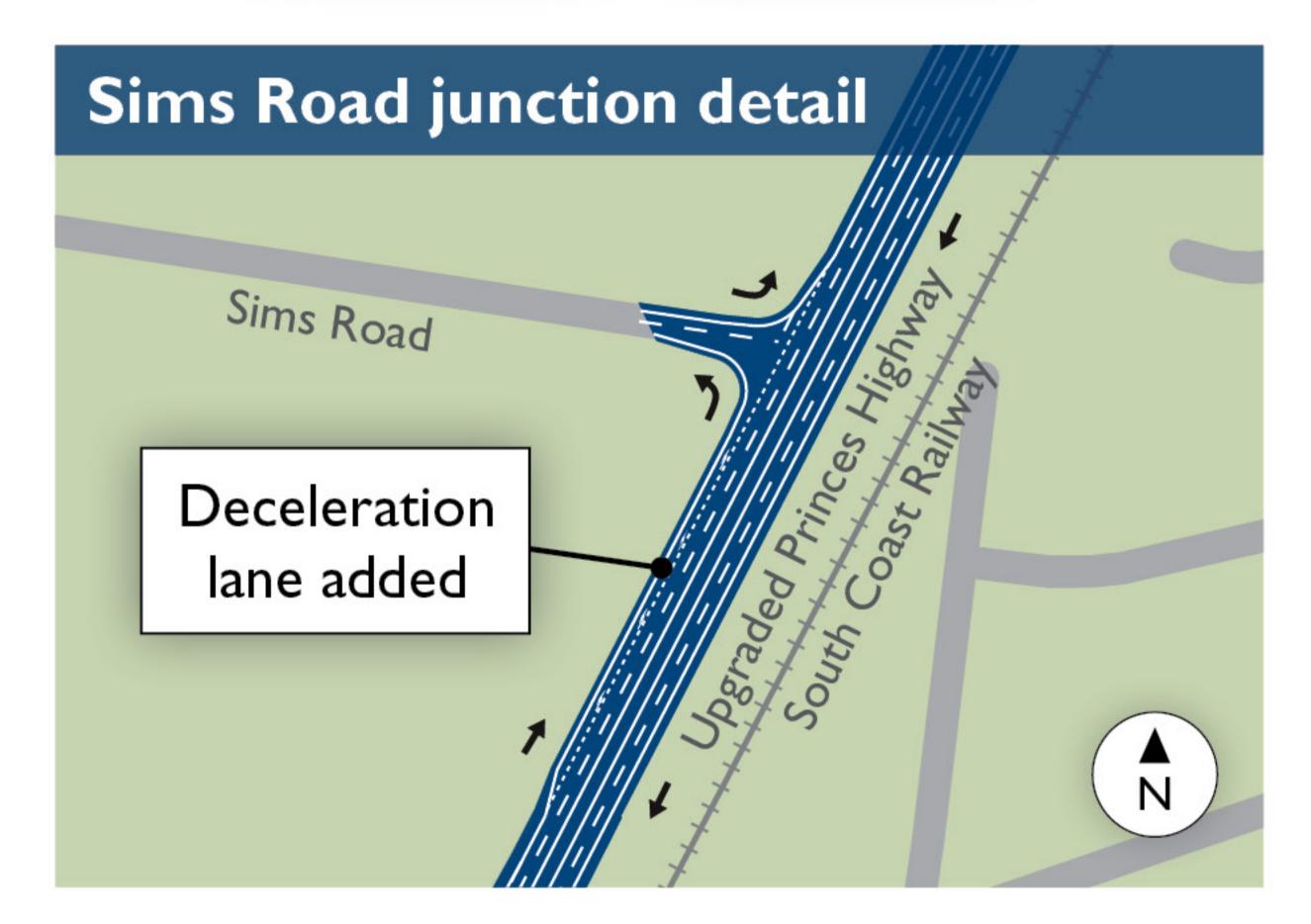
Toolijooa Road interim junction

The interim junction design has been improved to include a permanent off ramp, protected right turn movements into and out of Toolijooa Road and an interim bus stop.



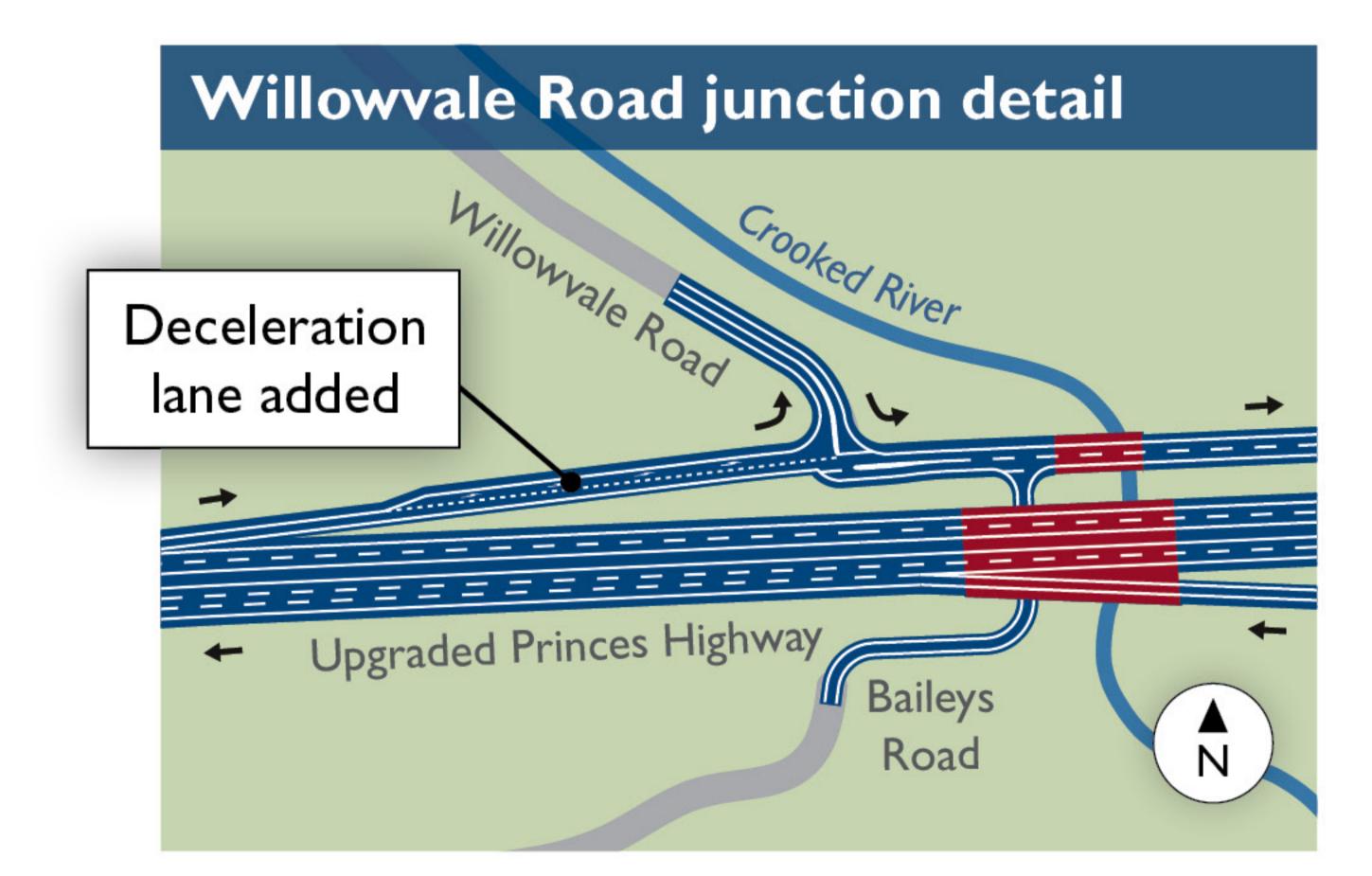
Sims Road deceleration lane

After feedback from the community, the RTA has enhanced the design of this junction by providing a deceleration lane for traffic turning left into Sims Road from the upgraded highway.



Willowvale Road deceleration lane

The RTA has enhanced the design of this junction by providing a deceleration lane for traffic turning left into Willowvale Road from the northbound exit ramp.



Direct property access

Following comments and submissions, the RTA has improved the safety of direct property accesses by providing a three metre wide shoulder for 100 metres on the approach to each access. Property access will also be identified through specific signposting.

