

Proposed improvements to Goonoo Goonoo Road (New England Highway) in Tamworth



Goonoo Goonoo Road looking north from the Greg Norman Drive intersection

Goonoo Goonoo Road is an important part of the Tamworth road network, facilitating movement of local residents and freight, enabling growth and development, and providing a vital link between the regional city of Tamworth and surrounding towns and villages.



Proposed concept design

The NSW Government has committed to plan the duplication of the section of Goonoo Goonoo Road between Jack Smyth Drive and Calala Lane. The concept design for the proposed project is outlined in this community update.

Transport for NSW would like feedback from the community about the concept design, with all feedback being considered as the design and the project progresses.

Please see the back page of this update for details about how to provide feedback.



**Intersection improvements
at a number of locations**

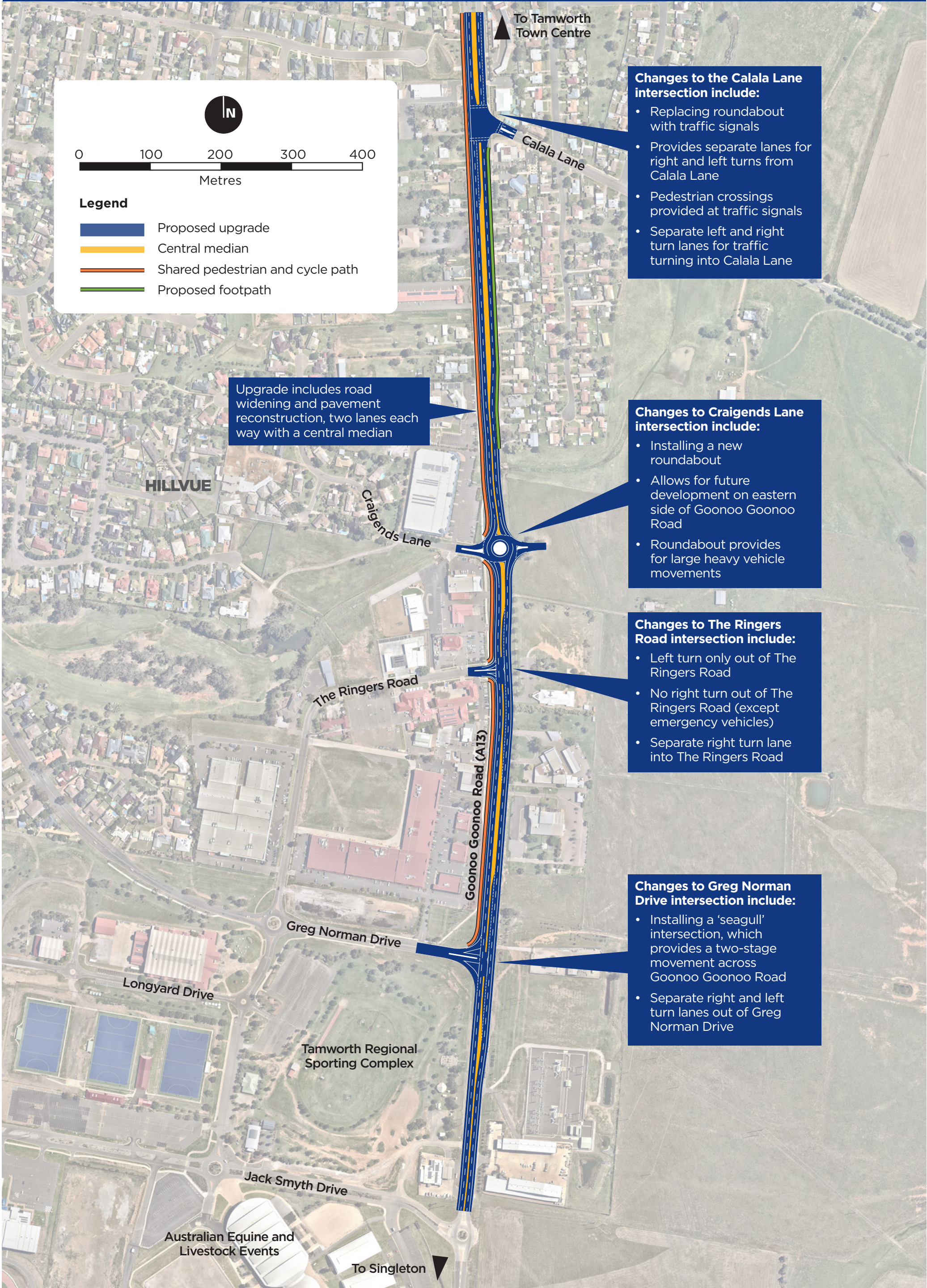


**Improve local
road network**



**Easing
congestion**

Goonoo Goonoo Road improvements



Background

Goonoo Goonoo Road is an important part of the Tamworth road network, providing a gateway to the city's entertainment and equestrian precinct, and is a vital link between the regional city and its surrounding towns and villages. Transport and Tamworth Regional Council have carried out investigations, including traffic modelling, over the past two years to assess the performance of this section of road.

These investigations have shown this section of road is not as safe as other similar roads in NSW. The NSW Government is currently funding planning work for the eventual duplication of this section of Goonoo Goonoo Road. The timing of construction is not known, and is dependent on funding availability.

Proposed improvements

The concept design includes:

- Duplicating Goonoo Goonoo Road between Jack Smyth Drive and Calala Lane
- Installing a set of traffic signals at the intersection of Goonoo Goonoo Road and Calala Lane
- Installing a roundabout at the intersection of Goonoo Goonoo Road and Craigends Lane
- Intersection improvements at the intersections of Goonoo Goonoo Road with The Ringers Road and Greg Norman Drive
- Installing a central median to separate oncoming traffic
- Improving pedestrian and cycle facilities

The improvements will increase capacity, improve safety, and provide a road transport network which supports development and facilitates access to regional growth centres.

Improving safety and capacity along the highway is important because over 20,000 vehicles use this section of the highway every day.



**Better more reliable
trips for people,
business and freight**

Feedback

Transport would like feedback from the Tamworth community about the concept design. You can provide feedback by:

- Calling Transport on **1800 653 092** and asking to speak to the Goonoo Goonoo Road project team
- Emailing **region.north@transport.nsw.gov.au**. Please include 'Goonoo Goonoo Road concept design feedback' in the subject line
- Sending a letter to Goonoo Goonoo Road Project Team, Transport for NSW, PO 576 Grafton, NSW 2460.

The community is requested to provide feedback **by 31 March 2021**.

Talk to the project team

Members of the project team will be available to meet with individuals face-to-face to listen to their concerns and feedback, by appointment. To help us manage COVID-19, you will need to make an appointment to meet with the team. We will be available on:


- **Wednesday 17 March**
- **Tuesday 23 March**

To arrange a meeting please call **1800 653 092**.

Next steps

While there is currently no funding for construction, we will be working to have the project ready to build once funding is available. The community will be kept up-to-date with the progress of the project.

Contact us:

 **1800 653 092 (business hours)**

 **region.north@transport.nsw.gov.au**

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