

Safety improvements on the Oxley Highway and King Creek Road intersection at Wauchope

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Background

The NSW Government is investing in safety and efficiency improvements at the Oxley Highway and King Creek Road intersection.

Transport for NSW (Transport) has been developing short, medium and long-term strategies to improve safety at this intersection in response to issues raised by the community.

In November 2021, Transport consulted the community on the proposed short and medium-term options. We would like to thank everyone who took the time to consider our proposal and provided feedback.



))) What you told us

The majority of the feedback received did not support the short and medium-term solutions. We acknowledge the community members have advocated for long-term strategies to address both safety and traffic growth in the area.

Other key themes included reducing the speed limit and visibility at the intersection.

A community consultation report summarising the community feedback and our responses is available for viewing at nswroads.work/king-creek-road.

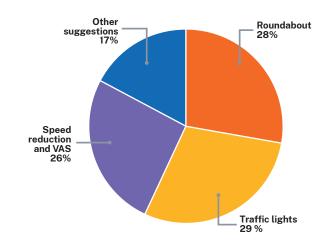


Consultation outcome

We listened to the community and will not be progressing with the medium term option. Instead, we will carry out further investigations on a small roundabout and eastbound slip lane. The implementation of this option is dependent on funding availability and environmental approvals.

Transport will be proceeding with the proposed short term option, that would meet the needs to improve safety and efficiency of the intersection, within the allocated funding from the NSW Government. Work is expected to be completed by end of November 2022.

Transport will keep the community informed as the project progresses.



Intersection improvements raised in community feedback

Short term improvements at the Oxley Highway and King Creek Road intersection





What happens next?

Transport will be installing solar powered vehicle activated signs (VAS), which will alert Oxley Highway motorists that a vehicle is moving within the King Creek Road intersection and warn vehicles to slow down.

There will be new radar posts at the King Creek Road intersection to activate VAS when vehicle stops at the intersection.

Work will commence in October and is expected to be completed by end of November 2022, weather permitting. Transport will keep the community informed as the project progresses.

If you have any questions about the installation of the VAS, please contact our project team at 0409 281 628 or email regionaldirectorassets-strategy@transport.nsw.

Thank you for your patience during this important work.



There will be some temporary traffic changes to ensure the work zone is safe



improve safety of the intersection



Work is expected to be completed by end of November 2022



Vehicle activated signs (VAS) are solar powered

How does the VAS work?

Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) are digital roadside signs that display a message when they are approached by a vehicle. The VAS would be installed about 100 metres from the King Creek Road intersection.

The VAS signs are intended to display:

- 'TURNING VEHICLES' when a vehicle is in the detection zone. The radar posts at the King Creek Road intersection would activate the VAS, warning approaching vehicles on the Oxley Highway of traffic movements at the intersection
- 'SLOW DOWN' when vehicles approaching the King Creek Road intersection are exceeding the speed limit. The Radars are not used for speed limit enforcement. The speed detection zones would be about 50 metres from approaching the VAS.

*The image shown is only an example of VAS, it is not the final design





How will the work affect you?

Work will involve the use of machinery which generates some noise. Transport will make every effort to minimise noise by turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use and positioning machinery away from residential areas where possible. We will also limit the amount of machinery working together at any one time. Property access will be maintained at all times.



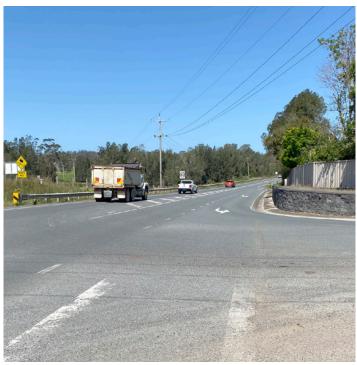
Changed traffic conditions

There will be some temporary traffic changes to ensure the work zone is safe.

Intermittent stoppages and 40km/h speed limit will be in place during work hours, which may affect travel times. Generally, work will be carried out outside of peak hours to minimise traffic impacts.

Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs.

For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.



King Creek Road and the Oxley Highway intersection

Planning and investigations

Consultation on the proposed intersection upgrade



Community consultation report

Approval to proceed

Implement short term options

Investigate long term options

Consultation on the design of the long term option

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