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# New England Highway upgrade between Belford and the Golden Highway and Mudies Creek Bridge

## Project update – Construction contract awarded

June 2021

Work on the **New England Highway upgrade between Belford and the Golden Highway** will start later this year. Transport for NSW has awarded a construction contract to Acciona Construction Australia Pty Ltd.

The NSW Government has provided \$97 million funding for the upgrade to improve traffic flow, travel times and safety for motorists.

The upgrade involves building two travel lanes in each direction from Belford to the Golden Highway, and a flyover for vehicles turning right from the Golden Highway towards Maitland and Newcastle.

Early work, including utility relocations, has been completed and main construction work will start later this year. Work is expected to take three years to complete, weather permitting.

The construction contract also includes the **Mudies Creek Bridge** project on the Golden Highway.

The Australian and NSW governments are jointly funding a \$16 million bridge over Mudies Creek to improve travel reliability during flood events.

The upgrade will involve building a new 30-metre-long bridge over Mudies Creek, five metres above the current road level and high enough to withstand a one-in-100-year flood. Work is expected to start in 2022, subject to environmental approval.

## Next steps

We will provide more information about our work schedule, work activities and changed traffic conditions closer to work starting later in 2021.

## Contact

If you have any questions, please contact our Project Manager, Natasha Waeger on 1800 945 202 or [BelfordtoGoldenHighway@transport.nsw.gov.au](mailto:BelfordtoGoldenHighway@transport.nsw.gov.au).

For more information on the Golden Highway upgrades, visit [nswroads.work/B2G](https://nswroads.work/B2G)



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