



Australian Government



# Firetail overtaking lanes and road safety improvement works north of Grong Grong

Transport for NSW



The Newell Highway Program Alliance (NHPA) is excited to announce the completion of overtaking lanes and road safety improvement works at Firetail, about six kilometres north of Grong Grong. The overtaking lanes will add an additional three kilometres of northbound and southbound overtaking lanes on the Newell Highway.

The NHPA is joint-funded by the Australian and NSW Governments to deliver about 40 overtaking lanes over four years on the Newell Highway. In early 2021 the Australian

Government approved \$76.54 million for road safety improvement works to be carried out adjacent to six of the overtaking lane projects. The work includes widening the road shoulders and centreline, and installing rumble strips along the highway.

Since it started in early 2019, the NHPA have now completed 23 overtaking lanes and road safety improvement works at three sites this year with road safety works being delivered at another three sites (Tocumwal to Finley, Gullifers Road and Alleena).

Work on the Firetail overtaking lanes and road safety improvement works commenced in early November 2020 and through effective traffic management measures motorists experienced delays of less than 1.5 minutes during construction.

## We thank you for your patience during these works.



**Improving safety**



**Save travel time**



**Increasing overtaking opportunities**



**Working with local communities**

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## Fast facts

- 177 total workers employed
- 161 total workers employed (excludes NHPA staff)
- 61 local workers
- 17 Aboriginal workers
- 7 female workers
- 3 trainees
- 10,000 Grey Box trees replanted around project
- 15 nest boxes installed for birds, owls, microbats and squirrel gliders
- 25,000m<sup>3</sup> of cut to fill onsite used for construction

## Map showing the location of Firetail overtaking lanes

