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Early works on the third set of overtaking lanes in the Pilliga is underway at the Dandry site on the Newell Highway.

The Newell Highway Program Alliance is building additional overtaking lanes at three locations on the Newell Highway in the Pilliga to improve safety, reduce travel times and improve freight productivity.

Early works have commenced on new northbound and southbound overtaking lanes at the third location between Coonabarabran and Narrabri. The new overtaking lanes at Dandry are the third site including Sir William Bridges rest area and Pilliga rest area, expected to be completed in about eight months, weather permitting.

Preliminary work at the Dandry site, about 30 kilometres north of Coonabarabran, includes establishing a site compound, stockpile site and fencing. Other work to be carried out includes installing environmental controls, removing vegetation, and road widening. Work at all three sites are now currently in progress and once complete, road users on the Newell Highway will experience improved safety and efficient travel times along this section of the Newell Highway.

We will be working on a two-week rotating roster as below:

- Week 1: 7.00am and 6.00pm from Tuesday to Friday; 8.00am and 6.00pm on Saturday and Sunday
- Week 2: 7.00am and 6.00pm from Monday to Thursday; no work Friday to Monday

We will keep the community regularly informed about the progress of the work and any traffic changes.

How will the work affect you?

The work will involve the use of machinery which generates some noise. We will make every effort to minimise noise by arranging the work in stages at different locations and turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use.

There is likely to be some dust from the clearing, vegetation removal and earthworks. We will use measures to minimise or prevent air pollution and dust, including covering exposed areas.

Traffic changes

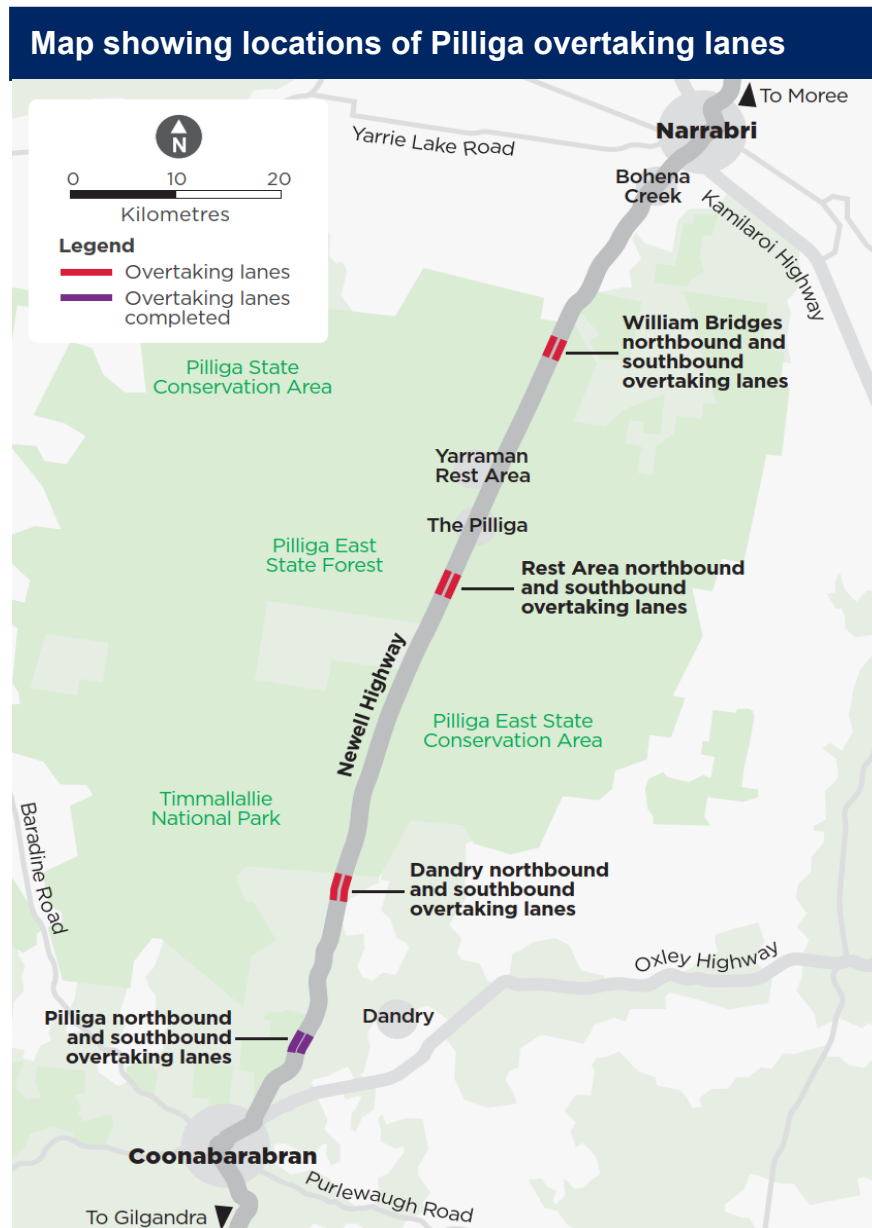
Changed traffic conditions include reduced speed limits of 40 km/h and 60 km/h during work hours and 80 km/h after hours, which may affect travel times. All motorists are advised to drive to the conditions and follow the directions of signs and traffic control.

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.

Contact

More information on this and other overtaking lane projects along the Newell Highway can be found on our project website at nswroads.work/nhpa, phone 1800 577 295 or email info@newellHPA.com.au

Thank you for your patience during this important work.



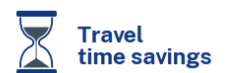
Improving safety



Increase overtaking opportunities



Working with local communities



Travel time savings



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