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The Northern Road upgrade

between Mersey Road, Bringelly and Glenmore Parkway, Glenmore Park

Project update

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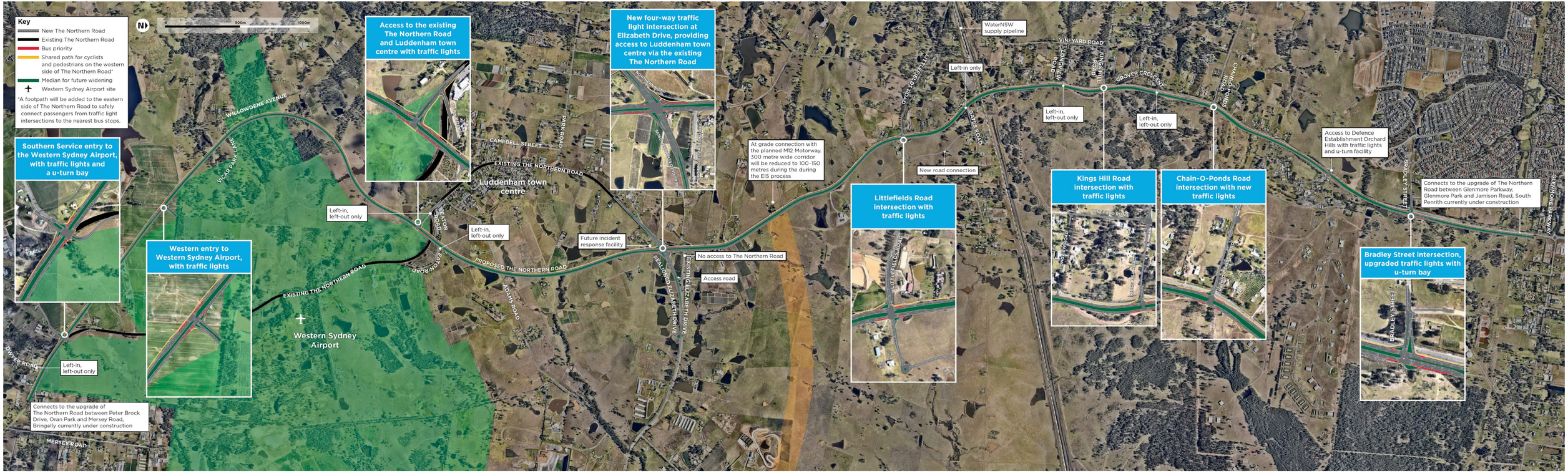
The Northern Road – looking south

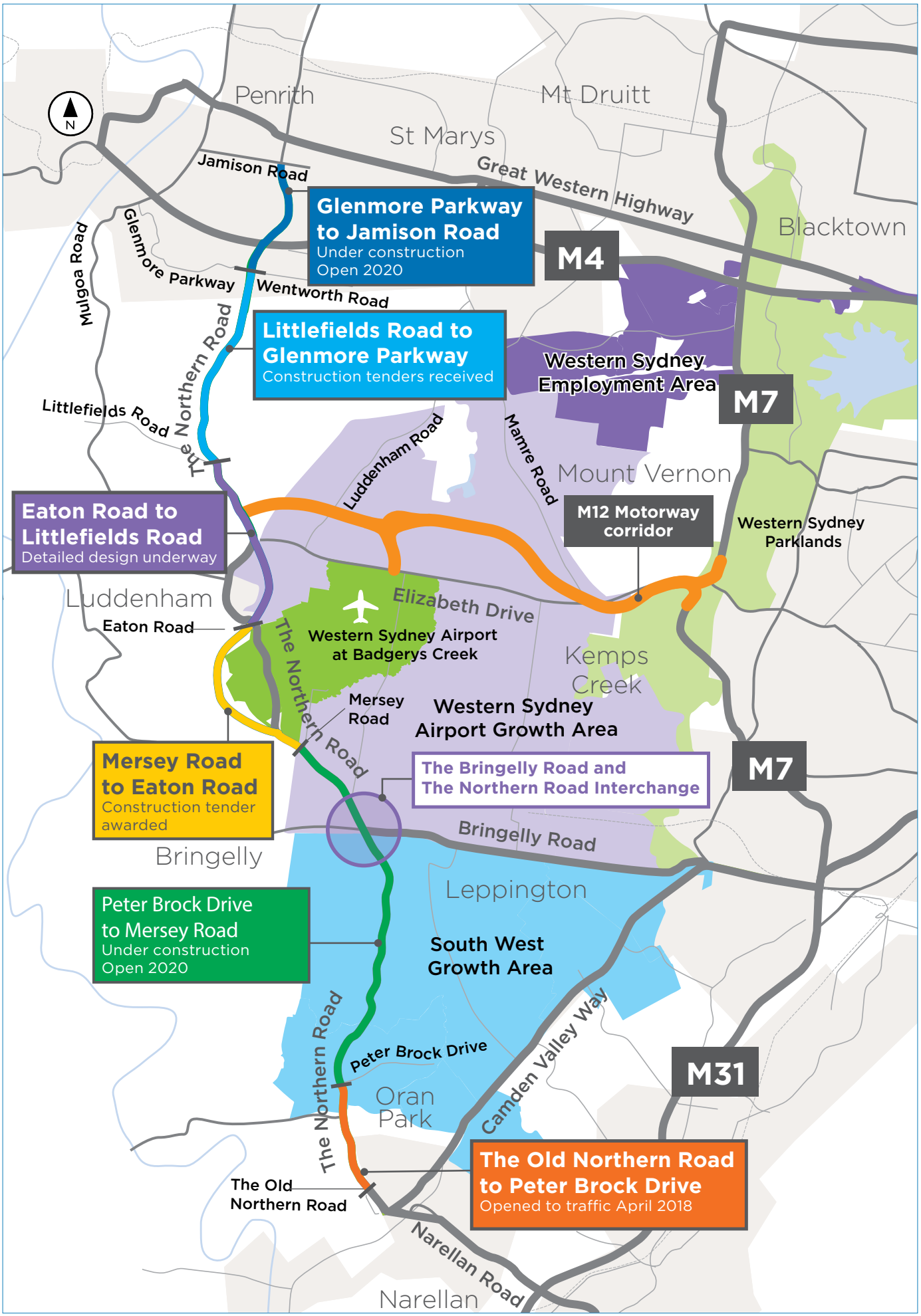
The Australian and NSW governments are upgrading The Northern Road as part of the $3.6 billion Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan to improve safety, increase road capacity and reduce travel times and congestion in the future. The Northern Road upgrade between Mersey Road and Glenmore Parkway covers about 16 kilometres and will provide access to Western Sydney Airport at Badgerys Creek and the growth areas of South West and Western Sydney.

This upgrade ties into work already underway to upgrade The Northern Road between The Old Northern Road and Mersey Road and between Glenmore Parkway and Jamison Road.

In mid-2017, Roads and Maritime Services invited comments from the community and stakeholders on the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and concept design for The Northern Road upgrade between Mersey Road and Glenmore Parkway.

The Northern Road upgrade Mersey Road, Bringelly to Glenmore Parkway, Glenmore Park

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Jamison Road
Great Western Highway
Glenmore Parkway to Jamison Road
Under construction
Open 2020
M4
Blacktown
Mulgoa Road
Glenmore Parkway
Wentworth Road
The Northern Road
Littlefields Road to Glenmore Parkway
Construction tenders received
Western Sydney Employment Area
M7
Littlefields Road
Luddenham Road
Mamre Road
Mount Vernon
Eaton Road to Littlefields Road
Detailed design underway
M12 Motorway corridor
Western Sydney Parklands
Luddenham
Eaton Road
Elizabeth Drive
Western Sydney Airport at Badgerys Creek
Kemps Creek
Mersey Road
Western Sydney Airport Growth Area
The Northern Road
Mersey Road to Eaton Road
Construction tender awarded
The Bringelly Road and The Northern Road Interchange
M7
Bringelly Road
Bringelly
Leppington
Peter Brock Drive to Mersey Road
Under construction
Open 2020
South West Growth Area
The Northern Road
Peter Brock Drive
Camden Valley Way
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The Old Northern Road to Peter Brock Drive
Opened to traffic April 2018
The Old Northern Road
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Design refinements in response to community and stakeholder submissions

Roads and Maritime received 39 submissions, and in response we refined the design of the upgrade to include:

- minor changes to the design, alignment and intersections of The Northern Road and local roads
- removal of variable message signs from the locations proposed in the EIS
- removal of the northbound heavy vehicle inspection bay from the project scope
- property adjustments, including provision of new access at various locations as requested by property owners
- refinements to culvert designs at Surveyors Creek and Badgerys Creek to provide fauna passage
- changes to the delivery timing of the project, the incident management facility and the mid-block sections of bus lanes
- some parts of the project will be delivered progressively according to funding and demand.

Further details are available in the Submissions and Preferred Infrastructure Report on the website **www.rms.nsw.gov.au/thenorthernroad**

Key features of the project:

- a minimum of two general traffic lanes in each direction between Mersey Road, Bringelly and just south of Glenmore Parkway, Glenmore Park
- three lanes and a bus lane in each direction between Bradley Street and Glenmore Parkway
- a central median to allow for an extra travel lane in each direction in the future, if required
- about eight kilometres of new road between Mersey Road, Bringelly and just south of the existing Elizabeth Drive, Luddenham to realign the section of The Northern Road that currently runs through the Western Sydney Airport site and to bypass the Luddenham town centre
- about eight kilometres of upgraded and widened road between the existing Elizabeth Drive, Luddenham and just south of Glenmore Parkway, Glenmore Park

The Northern Road – looking north

- priority bus lanes at all intersections and dedicated bus lanes to serve existing communities north of Bradley Street, Glenmore Park
- provision to extend bus lanes as growth and service demand requires
- access to the Luddenham town centre from the realigned The Northern Road with traffic lights
- eight new traffic light intersections and new traffic lights at existing intersections
- local road changes and upgrades to current access arrangements for businesses and private properties
- a new shared path on the western side of The Northern Road and pedestrian paths on the eastern side of The Northern Road where required.

Federal and NSW Planning Approval

To meet the requirements of both the Federal and State planning approval processes, in January 2018, Roads and Maritime prepared and published the Submissions and Preferred Infrastructure Report (NSW planning process) and the Final EIS (Federal planning process). These documents include information about submissions received, changes to the project and additional environmental assessment and can be viewed on the website **www.rms.nsw.gov.au/thenorthernroad**

Planning approval received

A delegate of the Federal Minister for Environment and Energy and the NSW Minister for Planning have approved the project with a number of conditions. Construction will start on different sections of the upgrade and be delivered as per the timing below:

Project Construction Stage	Project Construction Timing																			
	2018				2019				2020				2021				2022			
Mersey Road to Eaton Road					Airport critical (April 2020)															
Eaton Road to Littlefields Road																				
Littlefields Road to Glenmore Parkway																				

The Northern Road adjacent to Western Sydney Airport

Construction stages

The Northern Road upgrade between Mersey Road and Glenmore Parkway will be constructed in three stages, which will help limit disruption along the road and ensure we keep people moving.

We will notify the local community about each stage of construction before work begins.

The first stage of construction (between Mersey Road and Eaton Road) is due to start in 2018 and will be complete in 2020 weather permitting.

The section of road required for construction of the Western Sydney Airport will be completed prior to April 2020.

Work in this section includes:

- construction of approximately 5.7 km of new road diverting the existing The Northern Road around the site of the Western Sydney Airport
- a left in/left out intersection at Dwyer Road
- a u-turn controlled with traffic lights for access to the Leppington Pastoral Company
- new traffic lights at the service entrance to Western Sydney Airport
- new traffic lights at the t-intersection with The Old Northern Road, north of Eaton Road
- a left in/left out intersection for Eaton Road (East)
- related work including relocation of utilities and drainage.

Roads and Maritime has appointed Ertech/Georgiou Joint Venture as the construction contractor for the section between Mersey Road and Eaton Road.

What will happen during construction?

The main construction compound for the first section will be at Eaton Road. Most of the work will take place Monday to Friday from 7am to 6pm and Saturday from 8am to 1pm. Some night work may be required and residents and businesses will be informed before any night work starts. The speed limit will be reduced during construction hours for safety reasons.

Access to properties will be maintained and portable variable message signs (VMS) will be in place to advise road users of changes to traffic conditions. Roads and Maritime is committed to working with the community and we plan to minimise the impact to nearby properties and traffic on The Northern Road while work takes place.

Further information will be provided when construction on the other sections is due to start.

Contact us

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