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Work to start on Hanwood school crossing upgrade

Work is set to start this month on a highly anticipated school crossing upgrade on the Kidman Way at Hanwood to improve safety for those crossing the busy freight route.

Transport for NSW Acting Regional Director South, Brendon James, said Hanwood Public School parents and community members have strongly advocated for the project which will see the existing crossing upgraded to meet current safety network standards.

"The work will involve upgrading centre and edge medians, line marking, and installing school crossing flag holders to improve visibility and ensure a safer crossing for students going to and from school," Mr James said.

"With improved medians, the upgrade will also allow a safer crossing point for bike riders using the Hanwood cycleway outside school crossing times."

Mr James said the improved facilities will ultimately pave the way for the future recruitment of a school crossing coordinator.

"By appointing a school crossing coordinator to help students and the community cross the highway in the morning and afternoon, when school zones apply, we are keeping the most vulnerable members of our community safe," Mr James said.

Transport for NSW will work closely with Griffith City Council to deliver the crossing alongside the council's other upgrades in Hanwood, with work to start on Monday 18 September.

Work will be carried out between 7am and 6pm weekdays from Monday 18 September and is expected to be completed by Monday 9 October, weather permitting.

To limit impacts to the school community the majority of the work will be carried out during the school holidays and outside of peak school traffic times where possible.

A single lane closure, traffic control and a reduced speed limit of 40 km/h will be in place for the safety of workers and motorists.

Motorists are advised to drive to the conditions, follow the directions of signs and traffic control and allow up to five minutes additional travel time.

The road design was developed by Transport for NSW in collaboration with the Griffith City Council and Hanwood Public School.