

Installation of rumble strips on the Castlereagh Highway from Monday 21 August 2023

Saving Lives Accelerated Package

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Transport for NSW acknowledges the Wiradjuri people as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pay respects to Elders past and present.

This important work will be carried out along sections of the Castlereagh Highway between Dunedoo and Lithgow and aims to improve safety and reduce the risk of head-on and run-off-road crashes.

What work are we doing?

Transport for NSW is installing rumble strips (also known as Audio Tactile Line Marking or ATLM) on the centre and edge lines across more than 189 kilometres of the Castlereagh Highway from Monday 21 August 2023.

The project is funded by the New South Wales State Government and is part of the Saving Lives Accelerated package, investing \$46 million to install ATLM on high-risk rural roads in the next three years.

When we'll be working

We will be working between Dunedoo and Lithgow from **7am** and **6pm** from **seven days a week** and expect to complete the project by **December 2023**, weather permitting.

We will let you know in advance if we need to do any work outside these times.

What you need to know about rumble strips

Installing rumble strips involves placing small, raised bumps along the edge of roads and/or down the centreline. Rumble strips can be installed in conjunction with wide centrelines or retrofitted onto existing sections of road. The purpose of this safety treatment is to reduce head-on and run-off-road crashes by producing a noise and vibration warning to drivers that their vehicle is leaving the lane, veering into oncoming traffic or the edge of the road. The vibration warning gives motorists the opportunity to correct their path.

The rumble strips will be installed offset to the existing line marking so will only produce the vibration effect if a vehicle has already left the travel lane.

Rumble strips can help reduce the risks of a driver drifting outside the travel lane as a result of fatigue, and they are also particularly effective at night or during bad weather.

This is a highly effective road safety treatment known to reduce crashes by 15 to 25 per cent. This treatment is one of several available options in achieving Towards Zero deaths and serious injuries.

Traffic changes

There will be some temporary traffic changes to ensure the work area is safe.

Single lane closures and a 40 km/h speed limit will be in place during work hours and may affect travel times. Motorists are advised to allow up to five minutes extra travel time to their journey while work is under way.

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.**

Location of work



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