

# Daroobalgie Overtaking Lane North of Forbes



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The Newell Highway Program Alliance (NHPA) is excited to announce the completion of a 1.5 kilometre southbound overtaking lane on Wiradjuri Country, at Daroobalgie, about five kilometres north of Forbes.

The NHPA is jointly funded by the Australian and NSW Governments to deliver 38 overtaking lanes over four years on the Newell Highway.

The NHPA has now completed 31 overtaking lanes totalling more than 47 kilometres in length, since it started in early 2019.

The overtaking lanes will improve safety, reduce travel times and improve freight efficiency as part of the \$1.7 billion Newell highway upgrade.

The new overtaking lane at Daroobalgie included new pavement constructed across the full width of the highway. This approach will improve durability and reduce future maintenance costs.

Work on the Daroobalgie overtaking lane started in May 2022 and through effective traffic management measures, delays to motorists were reduced to less than five minutes during construction.



Daroobalgie overtaking lane

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



Improving  
safety



Increase  
overtaking opportunities



Working with local  
communities



Travel  
time savings

For more information about the NHPA or other overtaking lanes we are working on, please contact the project team on:

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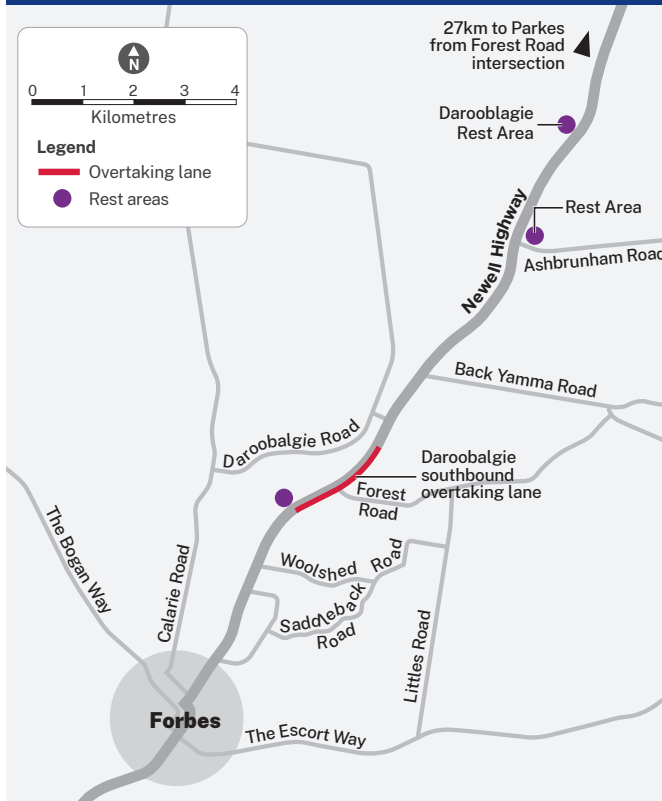
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## Fast facts

- 287 total people employed
- 12 NHPA staff
- 141 local workforce
- 23 staff identified as Aboriginal
- 37 female staff
- 11 Trainees
- 38 workers were aged under 25
- 47 nest boxes installed for birds, owls, microbats, and squirrel gliders
- 2,270m<sup>3</sup> of soil excavated and reused on site.

Pub No. 23.107

## Daroobalgie overtaking lane location



## Daroobalgie overtaking lane



Transport for NSW acknowledges the Wiradjuri People and pays respect to those Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work, especially Elders, past and present and to emerging community leaders. We recognise and celebrate the diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their ongoing cultures and connections to the lands, waters, and skies.

