# **Transport for NSW**



# Jervis Bay Road to Hawken Road upgrade contract awarded

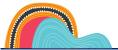
# **Princes Highway upgrade**

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Transport for NSW acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pays respect to Elders past and present.

# Transport for NSW is providing safer and more reliable journeys along the Princes Highway on the NSW South Coast.

The upgrade of the Princes Highway between Jervis Bay Road and Hawken Road is progressing with the awarding of a contract to MRB Technical Services – a joint venture partnership between Mott MacDonald Australia Pty Limited, RPS AAP Consulting Pty Limited and BG&E Pty Limited for the development of the concept design and environmental assessment, which includes the preparation of the Review of Environmental Factors (REF).

## **Project overview**

The upgrade will provide two lanes in each direction for six kilometres of the highway between Jervis Bay Road and Hawken Road, separated by a median barrier, as well as an intersection upgrade at Hawken Road, Tomerong.

The \$500 million project, funded by the Australian and NSW governments, has been prioritised as the first stage of the 20-kilometre Princes Highway upgrade between Jervis Bay Road and Sussex Inlet Road.

Project benefits include improved safety, traffic efficiency as well as improved freight access and network resilience. The upgrade will also support sustainability of the region and enable an

increase in the use of active and public transport while respecting the surrounding community and environment.



The preferred option of the upgraded Hawken Road intersection, Tomerong NSW.

# What is a Review of Environmental Factors (REF)?

The REF forms an important part of the project's planning, where Transport details how the project impacts the surrounding area, including flora and fauna, noise and vibration, and Aboriginal heritage. It also outlines how Transport proposes to mitigate these impacts.

## What is a concept design?

The concept design provides details which allows an assessment of likely environmental, social and economic impacts so stakeholders can provide feedback. During the concept design phase, we will gain an understanding of the actual design and functionality of the upgrade to the highway which will provide certainty about property impacts.

A local access strategy will also be developed during this phase to ensure adequate access to properties and businesses where local roads may be impacted by the construction and operation of the upgraded highway.

### Community consultation

Transport has been out in the community, providing updated information about the progress of the project at recent community information sessions and door knocking local residents within the highway corridor.

We have also provided the community an opportunity to provide feedback through our 'Have Your Say' page which is still open for comment.

Transport thanks those who have already provided their comments. Feedback to date has included comments on safety, local access to the highway, property and environmental impacts, as well as impacts to surrounding communities.

We will continue to review and consider your comments during the ongoing planning of the project.

#### Next steps

The community will be invited to provide feedback on the concept design and REF when it is released.

All feedback submissions on the REF and concept design will be publicly released in a report following the community consultation period.

Discussions with potentially impacted property owners will continue, and we will also work through how the highway upgrade impacts local access for all road users.



Community information session at Tomerong, NSW.

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