

Transport for NSW

Proposed improvements to Goonoo Goonoo Road (New England Highway) in Tamworth

Have your say - Review of Environmental Factors and refined concept design

Goonoo Goonoo Road is an important part of the Tamworth road network, facilitating movement of local residents and freight, enabling growth and development, and providing a vital link between the regional city of Tamworth and surrounding towns and villages.



Project background

TheNSW Government has committed \$3 million to continue planning to upgrade Goonoo Goonoo Road (New England Highway) between Jack Smyth Drive and Calala Lane in Tamworth. The upgrade will ensure faster and smoother journeys for more than 20,000 vehicles that use this section of road each day.

Transport for NSW has been carrying out investigation work to remove a pinch point from Tamworth's road network, providing easier access for those visiting the city's entertainment and equestrian precinct.

The improvements along this section of Goonoo Goonoo Road will increase capacity, improve safety and traffic flow, support planned development in this area and facilitate both local access and regional connectivity.

The work Transport has been carrying out includes refining the concept design and preparing the Review of Environmental Factors. A number of specialist studies have

beencarried out as part of this work.



Review of environmental factors

The Review of EnvironmentFactors (REF)considers the potential environmental, social and economic impacts of the proposal.

The assessment found that the proposal would not significantly affect the environment or community. The REF also describes the measures that would be put into place to manage potential impacts.

Following the previous public display of the draft concept design, Transport has reviewed the submissions and acted on a number of comments provided. These have been reflected in the refined concept design and REF now being displayed for comment. Of particular note, some of the key features outlined in the REF include:

Truck parking bays

Formalisation of and provision of truck parking bays along the new alignment.

Noise

The new road surface will be designed to minimise road noise impacts.

Entrance statement

Extend medianstripalong the length of the alignment to maintain the connectivity with existing streetscape.

During construction

Stagedconstruction to maintain property accesses for both business and residential.

Pedestrian connectivity

Completion of the 2.5 metre wide shared path along the western side of Goonoo Goonoo Road between Wilburtree Street and Greg Norman Drive.

Cyclist safety

Theproposed duplication of Goonoo Goonoo Road includes 2.5 metre sealed shoulders. On-road cyclists choosing not to travel in the traffic lanes can travel in the shoulders.







Goonoo Goonoo Road improvements To Tamworth Town Centre **Changes to the Calala Lane** intersection include: Replacing roundabout with tra c signals Calala Lane Providing separate lanes 400 100 200 300 for right and left turns from Calala Lane Metres Pedestrian crossings provided at tra c signals Legend Proposed upgrade • Separate left and right turn lanes for tra c turning into Calala Lane Central median Shared pedestrian and cycle path Proposed footpath Upgrade includes road widening and pavement **Changes to Craigends Lane** reconstruction, two lanes each way with a central median intersection include: Installing a new roundabout Allows for future HILLVUE development on eastern side of Goonoo Goonoo Road ds Lane New roundabout is designed to allow heavy vehicle movement Changes to The Ringers Road intersection include: • Left turn only out in the Road The RingsRoad No right turn out ofThe Ringers Road (except emergency vehicles) Road (A13) Separate right turn lane into The Ringers Road Goonoo Truck parking bay Goonoo Changes Greg Drive Norman intersection include: Greg Norman Drive Installing a isnaquill'ch provides a two-stage movement across Goonoo Goonoo Road Longyard Drive Separate right and left turn lanes out of Greg Norman Drive Tamworth Regional **Sporting Complex** Truck parking bay Jack Smyth Drive Australian Equine and Livestock Events To Singleton



TheREFwillbeondisplayatthe following locations until

Friday 10 December 2021

Tamworth Regional Council Ray Walsh House 437 Peel Street Tamworth

Tamworth Library 466 Peel Street Tamworth

The REF is also available to download from the project website: nswroads.work/ggroad



To provide feedback

To provide feedback on the REF as part of the Goonoo Goonoo Road project, you can:

- •Call 1800 947 911
- •Email goonoogoonooupgrade@transport.nsw.gov.au
- •Send a letter to Goonoo Goonoo Road Project Team, Transport for NSW, PO 576 Grafton, NSW 2460
- Completing the online survey at yoursay.transport.nsw. gov.au/ggroad

The community is requested to provide feedback by **Friday 10 December 2021**.





Next steps

Feedback on the refined concept design and REF will be considered as part of the project approval and in the detailed design for the Goonoo Goonoo upgrade project.

The timing of construction is not known, and is dependent on funding availability.

The community will be kept informed on the progress and delivery of this important program of work.

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