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WORK STARTS ON $1.7 MILLION KINGS HIGHWAY SAFETY PROJECT AT CLYDE MOUNTAIN

Safety on the Kings Highway will be improved between Batemans Bay and Bungendore with road resurfacing work and safety improvements starting in early February.

The Member for Monaro John Barilaro said the work is part of the $25 million program to improve safety and address the findings of the 2012 Kings Highway Safety.

"Roads and Maritime Services will start work on Monday 2 February on this $1.7 million part of the program to lay skid resistant asphalt, install guard rail and improve sight distances by clearing trees and vegetation at the side of the road," Mr Barilaro said.

"Skid resistant asphalt will be placed at six separate sites on Clyde Mountain to provide a safer road surface and improve ride quality. Work is expected to be completed by 18 February.

"Work will also start on Monday 2 February to install guardrail at 16 locations between Batemans Bay and Bungendore to reduce the severity of crashes for vehicles which leave the road.

"Work to reduce roadside vegetation will also be carried out during this time between Batemans Bay and Clyde Mountain. All work will be carried out on weekdays from 7am to 5pm and is expected to continue until the end of April, weather permitting.

"Motorists can expect some delays during work due to changed traffic conditions. Motorists should plan their journey and follow the direction of traffic control with reduced speed limits in place for the safety of workers and motorists."

The $25 million Kings Highway upgrade is funded by Transport for NSW’s Safer Roads Program and Roads and Maritime Services will deliver work in the next four years to reduce crash risk on this 117 kilometre stretch of road.

For more information on safety improvements on the Kings Highway visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au

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