Work to improve Cooma Creek Bridge will continue until August after wet weather has delayed work on site, the Member for Monaro John Barilaro said today.

The NSW Government allocated $800,000 for work to strengthen the bridge located on Sharpe Street to cater for future traffic demands.

“The bridge crosses Cooma Back Creek along Sharpe Street leading to the Snowy Mountains Highway and is an important link for the local community and road users heading to the snowfields,” Mr Barilaro said.

“Work due to be completed at the end of June was delayed after the wet and cold weather slowed the progress of concrete work on site.

“The project is now on track to be completed by the end of August, weather permitting.”

Work will continue to be carried out on weekdays between 7am and 5pm until the end of August.

Mr Barilaro said the essential maintenance aims to improve the condition of the structure as more road user’s access roads to the snowfields.

“It is also important the weight limit is maintained to cater for heavy vehicles travelling to and from the Snowy Mountains Highway,” Mr Barilaro.

“There is minor impact to traffic with most work taking place under the bridge.

“The shared pathway next to Cooma Creek has been closed during work hours to ensure the safety of pedestrians and workers.

“Pedestrian detours have been in place and the community has been great in obeying signs and staying clear of the work area.”

The work is part of Roads and Maritime’s commitment to delivering safe and high quality services to the community and businesses of Cooma.

Roads and Maritime thanks the community for their patience while work is carried out. For the latest traffic information visit www.livetraffic.com, download the Live Traffic App or call the Transport Management Centre on 132 701.

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