SCHOFIELDS ROAD UPGRADE RACES AHEAD TO THIRD STAGE

The Schofields Road upgrade is moving forward with a traffic switch under way today on the 3.6 kilometre stage two work and building tenders now being invited for stage three between Veron and Richmond roads.

“The NSW Government has committed an additional $12 million this financial year to start building stage three of the Schofields Road upgrade as work progresses on the $135 million stage two between Windsor and Richmond roads,” Mr Conolly said.

“The upgrade aims to improve safety and reduce travel times for road users between the current Rouse Hill and future Marsden Park town centres, Schofields Railway Station and future North West Rail Link stations.

“Stage one between Windsor and Tallawong roads opened last month with stage two fast tracked through a $70 million commitment from the Housing Acceleration Fund.

“The road is being widened to two lanes in each direction with new traffic lights being installed at the intersections of Hambledon, Boundary, Junction and Veron roads and Railway Terrace.

“Pedestrians and cyclist safety is also being improved with a shared path and new street lighting being installed.

“Bus priority measures have been installed to improve peak hour travel and new bus bays built to enable safer travel.

“The final pieces of work to enable traffic to be switched to the new section of Bridge Street will be completed this Saturday 18 July, with traffic able to access the road by 5pm.

“The completed traffic switch will allow work to continue to Veron Road without further disruption to commuters using Bridge Street.

“Road users can access the western car park at Schofields Railway Station by using the new overpass from Bridge Street which extends over the Schofields Road site.

“Tenders are now invited to build the third and final 2.5 kilometre stage of the upgrade from Veron Road to Richmond Road via South Street this month.

“Stage three will also provide a four-lane, divided road with a wide central median featuring a tree line transit boulevard, new traffic lights at Carnarvon Road and twin bridges over Eastern Creek and Bells Creek.
“This section will feature an extension of Schofields Road from Veron Road, across Eastern Creek to Carnarvon Road and feature turn lanes and temporary U-turn facilities to surrounding areas.

“Stage two lanes will open in the first half of 2017 with enough corridor allocated for the road to be widened to six lanes in the future.

“Roads and Maritime will continue to work closely with residents as plans progress.”

For more information or to view the submission report for stage three of the upgrade visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roadprojects.

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