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**NIGHT INVESTIGATION WORK EXTENDED FOR BERRY TO BOMADERRY PRINCES HIGHWAY UPGRADE**

Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier for the Illawarra and South Coast and Member for Kiama Gareth Ward has today advised local motorists that night investigation work will continue until mid-September to inform the detailed design for the Berry to Bomaderry Princes Highway upgrade.

Mr Ward said that the New South Wales Government allocated $4.5 million this year to progress planning for the upgrade which will include survey, geotechnical and utility investigations at several locations between Mullers Lane at Berry and Cambewarra Road at Bomaderry.

“The surveys will focus on underground utilities while geotechnical investigations will include drilling boreholes to take samples to provide a better understanding of the ground conditions,” he said.

“Night work will be carried out between 7pm and 5am from Sundays to Thursdays until mid-September, weather permitting. Traffic control and a reduced speed limit of 40km/h will be in place for the safety of workers and motorists.

“Work will also continue on weekdays between 7am and 5pm until the end of October, weather permitting. Some road shoulder closures may be required during daytime work,” he said.

“I certainly thank local motorists for their patience whilst this work is being carried out.

“The proposed upgrade of the Princes Highway between Schofields Lane at Berry and Cambewarra Road at Bomaderry will provide around 11.5 kilometres of divided highway, with two lanes in each direction,” Mr Ward said.

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