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PACIFIC HIGHWAY AND WYONG ROAD UPGRADE

A major milestone has been achieved this month on the $84 million Pacific Highway and Wyong Road upgrade at Tuggerah.

Parliamentary Secretary for the Hunter Scot MacDonald said 10 bridge girders were successfully installed as part of the new bridge across the railway on Wyong Road.

“This work is the largest of three upgrades on Wyong Road where major work started in January this year to improve traffic flow and safety,” Mr MacDonald said.

“The 10 girders each weighing 48 tonnes were transported on trucks up to 30 metres long.

“A special 350 tonne crane which was delivered on 23 separate trucks and took two days to set up for operation, was used to lift each girder into place.”

Mr MacDonald said it was a complex operation which required close collaboration with Sydney Trains to ensure work was completed during a planned shutdown of the railway line.

“Wyong Road is the major road linking the Pacific Motorway with Wyong, Tuggerah, The Entrance and surrounding coastal suburbs and the bridge is a key part of this upgrade with completion expected in 2019, weather permitting,” Mr MacDonald said.

Work is progressing well on the other upgrades of Wyong Road, with the intersection upgrade at Enterprise Drive expected to be finished at the end of this year, weather permitting.


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