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CONTRACT AWARDED FOR TEMPORARY ROADS FOR PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE

The Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade project team has awarded its 76th contract for the 155 kilometre upgrade to BMD Group as part of the $4.36 billion project.

The State Member for Clarence, Chris Gulaptis said the major contract to provide six temporary roads next to the highway between Maclean and Devils Pulpit was important as it would ensure work can safely be carried out on the new highway while keeping traffic moving through the roadwork zones.

“This key enabling work will provide temporary lanes at Yamba, Harwood, Garrets Lane, Iluka, Chatsworth South and Chatsworth North to move traffic off the existing highway so the highway upgrade can be completed,” Mr Gulaptis said.

“Work is expected to start in coming months with the temporary lanes progressively opening to traffic from next year, weather permitting.

“In August, two contracts to provide survey services for the upgrade were awarded to companies VFT and Pacific Survey.

“About $1 billion worth of contracts will be issued for tender between now and the end of the year including close to $800 million of major civil work across the alignment.

“This will mean the vast majority of the major contracts for the Woolgoolga to Ballina upgrade will either be issued for tender or evaluated by the end of the year.

“Contractors interested in tendering for work on the upgrade should sign up for updates and regularly monitor the tender website.

“All opportunities will be displayed at https://tenders.nsw.gov.au and businesses which are not yet prequalified should contact www.rms.nsw.gov.au to find out more,” Mr Gulaptis said.

For more information on the project visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au/W2B

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