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WEST WYALONG HEAVY VEHICLE ALTERNATIVE ROUTE
WORK RESTARTS FOR 2017

Work will re-start today on road improvements as part of the next stage of the West Wyalong Heavy Vehicle Alternative Route along Compton Road.

Member for Cootamundra Katrina Hodgkinson said this $600,000 stage of work is part of the NSW Government’s $4.5 million commitment to the project in 2016-17 and will involve repairing and strengthening a section of Compton Road, which forms part of the Heavy Vehicle Alternate Route.

“This work on the Newell Highway began in November last year and had an extended break due to the Christmas period and unexpected heavy patching work following last Spring’s wet weather and flooding in the region,” Katrina said.

“The Newell Highway is the main inland route between Victoria and Queensland. This work is part of an overall plan to upgrade the alternative route for freight vehicles travelling via West Wyalong,” Katrina said.

“Work is re-starting this week to continue to widen and improve drainage along the road.

“Work will also be carried out to repair and strengthen the road, provide wider lanes and shoulders and improve safety for vehicles turning right at Cassin Street.”

Work will be carried out on weekdays from 7am to 6pm and on Saturdays from 8am to 1pm, weather permitting.

Changed traffic conditions including lane closures may be in place during work for the safety of workers and motorists.

Motorists should plan their trip, allow extra travel time and follow the direction of all signs, including a reduced 40 km/h speed limit through the work site, which will revert to 50km/h and 80 km/h outside work hours.

There will be no impact to properties along the road.

Work is expected to be completed by 7 April 2017, weather permitting.