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OXLEY TO KUNDABUNG PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE REACHES MAJOR MILESTONE

Member for Port Macquarie, Leslie Williams today announced the new bridge across the Hastings River as part of the Oxley to Kundabung Pacific Highway upgrade is complete.

Mrs Williams said it's exciting to reach this milestone, with the $820 million Australian and NSW government funded upgrade on track to open to traffic later this year.

“This major project is really starting to take shape now the new 15 span Hastings River Bridge has been completed after almost two years of work.”

“The upgrade is about making the highway faster and safer for the thousands of motorists who use it every day, as it'll be two lanes each way from Sydney to Brisbane,” Mrs Williams said.

“The new bridge is west of the existing Dennis Bridge and is one of 23 built as part of the Oxley to Kundabung Pacific Highway upgrade.

“Upcoming work includes the start of paving on the new southbound lanes for about five kilometres between the north Oxley Highway interchange and Fernbank Creek Bridge.

“The community must be thanked for their patience, especially while the 150 girders required for the bridge were transported from Macksville.”

“Finishing touches including asphalting and line marking will be carried out before the new bridge opens to traffic and the community will be kept updated as work progresses,” Mrs Williams said.