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TIME TO RISE AND SHINE FOR HOSS CAUSEWAY

Hoss Causeway in Carroll along the Oxley Highway will be raised as part of a proposal to minimise water flowing across the road during wet weather events.

Member for Tamworth Kevin Anderson said the NSW Government is funding the plan to improve flood immunity along the highway between Tamworth and Gunnedah.

“Almost 4000 motorists travel along the Oxley Highway between Tamworth and Gunnedah every day,” Mr Anderson said.

“When it rains, localised flooding of the Hoss Causeway and Tommy Swamp can result in the temporary closure of the Oxley Highway, causing lengthy delays for motorists.

“The proposed work involves raising the level of the road and installing new drainage at these locations, as well as raising the road level on Gunnembene Lane.

“It’s a game-changer for motorists, as the proposed work will not only allow the highway to remain open in flood events, but will also improve safety and reduce future maintenance costs.

“We are getting on with the job of making sure our road networks continue to see improvements.”

Mr Anderson said a community drop-in session will be held at the Carrol Progress Association meeting room, Oxley Highway, on Wednesday 25 October between 3pm and 7pm.

“All feedback received from the community will be taken into consideration and the next step will be to carry out an environmental assessment and detailed design.”

The community will be kept informed as the proposal progresses.

More information can be found at: www.rms.nsw.gov.au/hosscauseway.