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TOURLE STREET AND CORMORANT ROAD UPGRADE PROGRESSING

Work on the Tourle Street and Cormorant Road duplication is progressing well with the new bridge almost complete and motorists using sections of the newly built road.

Parliamentary Secretary for the Hunter Scot MacDonald MLC said the Australian and NSW Governments are jointly funding the 3.8 kilometre duplication of Tourle Street and Cormorant Road between Industrial Drive at Mayfield West and Egret Street at Kooragang, including the construction of a second bridge across the Hunter River.

“Recently completed work on the new bridge includes installing all 10 piers supporting the bridge, all 11 spans of pre-cast concrete girders and pouring all 11 spans of concrete decks,” Mr MacDonald said.

“This work has been carried out day and night with crews working extended working hours including Saturdays to get the job done.

“No work is planned to be carried out from Friday 22nd December 2017 to Sunday 7th January 2018 apart from minor work on the new bridge, which won’t affect traffic.”

Mr MacDonald said 2018 will be an exciting year for the project with all road and bridge work expected to be completed.

“In the new year, bridge barriers will also be installed and newly completed sections of the road will be opened as the project progresses,” Mr MacDonald said.

For the safety of workers and motorists, lane closures and a reduced speed limit will be in place intermittently and may affect travel times.

Motorists are advised to follow the direction of traffic control and signs and keep to the reduced speed limits.

Roads and Maritime Services thanks motorists for their patience while this work is carried out.

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