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**Background**

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- Intersections
- Heavy vehicles
- Property impacts
- Road alignment
- Speed
- Road surface
- Separation of traffic
- Safety barriers
- Clear zones
- Intersections
- Speed zones and enforcement
- Sight distance
- Pedestrian and cyclist facilities
- Urban design, landscaping and vegetation
- Minimising impacts on property

Roads and Maritime invites your feedback on the improvements that have been identified, including a few alternative improvements at Blackheath. This feedback will help the project team to identify the preferred work for further development.

**Current situation**

After considering input and feedback from the community and assessing road safety issues on the highway, Roads and Maritime has identified a number of potential treatments to improve the highway between Katoomba and Mount Victoria.

Issues that were considered in identifying these potential improvements included:

- Road alignment
- Mix of through, local and tourist traffic
- Signage
- Road surface
- Line marking
- Road shoulders
Katoomba to Mount Victoria road safety upgrades

Potential improvements identified for your feedback:

SECTION C

Katoomba (Evans Lookout Road) to Mount Victoria (Bathurst Road) Upgrade

- Reducing and standardising the speed limit along Evans Lookout Road to 80km/h.
- Reduction of the speed limit along the Montane Road section to 80km/h.
- Installation of raised line marking to warn drivers if they exceed the speed limit.
- Construction of a pedestrian refuge near the Explorers Tree Memorial (for rural sections only).
- Installation of roadside protection from road side hazards on all highway sections.
- Safety barriers installed where required to provide separation from vehicles on opposite carriageway.
- Secondary overtaking lane merge point east of Foy Avenue.
- Additional overtaking lane merge point south of the Govetts Leap Road intersection.
- Detection of preferred lane via Realigned Herbert Avenue and north of the Govetts Leap Road intersection.
- Lane realignment on the Great Western Highway to allow access to the cemetery.
- Additional left turn lane into Abbott Street.
- Improved access to streets via other turn bays.
- Right in and right out only at Brightlands Avenue. Chelmsford Avenue and Prince George Street.

SECTION B

Median Bath (Foy Avenue) to Blackheath (Radiance Avenue)

- Right in and left out at the intersection of Ridgewell Road and Hatton Avenue.
- Pedestrian refuge relocation by about 100 metres further east.
- Pedestrian crossing north of the Govetts Leap Road intersection.
- Relocation of lane merge outside the rail crossing of Ridgewell Road.
- Realignment of sections of the road to straighten some sections of the road.
- Piping of open drainage channel.
- Pedestrian crossing at Rymill Street.
- Pedestrian crossing at Shipley Street.
- Installation of additional line marking to warn drivers if they exceed the speed limit.
- Relocation of the overtaking lane merge outside the rail crossing of Ridgewell Road.
- Right turn bay for access to Radiance Avenue.
- Realignment of sections of wide painted median through Medlow Bath.
- Utility pole relocation, especially where located on the railway side.

SECTION A

Great Western Highway – Blackheath (Evans Lookout Road) to Mount Victoria

- Right in and left out at the intersection of Ridgewell Road and Hatton Avenue.
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Overall potential improvements identified for your feedback:

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SECTION D

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Future steps

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Have your say

Your knowledge of the local area and traffic conditions will help to provide a better outcome for this project. To provide your comments, remove and complete the attached feedback form, fold and post by 30 May 2014.

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Or at the following web address:


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Medlow Bath
Rural Fire Service Shed, Railway Parade
Tuesday 6 May 2014, 6pm to 8pm

Blackheath
Blackheath Community Centre
Great Western Highway
Wednesday 7 May 2014, 2pm to 7pm

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Great Western Highway – Katoomba to Mount Victoria
Road safety upgrades
Potential treatments report

MARCH 2014
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## Issues that were considered in identifying these potential improvements

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- Road surface
- Signage
- Overtaking
- Close side
- Lane ends
- Speed zones and enforcement
- Separation of traffic

## Current situation

After considering input and feedback from the community, a preferred package of work has been identified. The proposed work will then be prioritised for construction subject to available funding. Feedback already received will also be considered in the development of the preferred package of improvements.

## Existing 20 parking spaces possibly to be considered

- Trees to be considered
- Possible removal of trees to be considered

## Future

The preferred package of work can be identified. The proposed work will then be prioritised for construction subject to available funding. Feedback already received will also be considered in the development of the preferred package of improvements.
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Feedback form

Please indicate your preference of Option A ☐ or Option B ☐ at Gardiner Crescent, Blackheath.

Thank you for contributing your comments. You may wish to provide your contact details below; however, this information is not a requirement to provide feedback.

Name
Address
Suburb         Postcode         State
Phone number   Email address

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To mail this feedback form fold along the dotted line and seal with clear tape.
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