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A SAFER NEWELL HIGHWAY THROUGH THE PILLIGA

Member for Barwon, Kevin Humphries was pleased to see work is progressing well on the $1.9 million upgrade of the Newell Highway through the Pilliga State Forest.

Roads and Maritime Services started work last month to improve safety for all motorists travelling along the State’s longest highway.

“Work is under way to provide a new road surface and to widen a section of the highway where the terrain near the road is quite steep. The work aims to provide motorists with more room to leave the road if necessary,” Mr Humphries said.

“This work follows a $4 million upgrade completed by Roads and Maritime Services on the Newell Highway earlier this year to provide a new northbound overtaking lane near Andys Creek Bridge.”

Work is being carried out Monday to Saturday from 7am to 5pm.

During work, one lane is closed for the safety of motorists and workers and alternating traffic conditions are in place.

Motorists should allow extra travel time and follow all signs.

A reduced speed limit of 40 km/h is in place through the work site during work hours, and 60 km/h after hours.

Work is expected to be completed in November, weather permitting.

For the latest traffic information, visit www.livetraffic.com, download Live Traffic App or call the Transport Management Centre on 132 701.

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