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ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS FOR PACIFIC HIGHWAY AT FERODALE

Parliamentary Secretary for the Hunter, Scot MacDonald MLC announced today that road user safety will be improved with a safety upgrade starting next Monday on the Pacific Highway at Ferodale.

The NSW Government has allocated $1 million under the NSW Black Spot Program to upgrade the Pacific Highway from one kilometre south of Six Mile Road to Italia Road.

“In the five years to June last year, there were 15 crashes on this section of the highway including six crashes resulting in injuries and nine tow away crashes. A majority of crashes involved motorists veering off the road on curves," Mr MacDonald said.

“The upgrade will involve installing around three kilometres of wire rope safety barrier in the median and an additional 1.5 kilometres of safety barrier along the shoulder to improve motorists’ safety and reduce the number and severity of crashes.

“Work is scheduled to start on Monday 12 October and is expected to take up to three months to complete, weather permitting.”

This work will be carried out on weekdays between 7am and 5pm, weather permitting.

Motorists should plan their trip, allow extra travel time and follow the direction of traffic control and all signs, including a reduced 40km/h speed limit which will be in place during the work.

Lane closures will be in place near where work is taking place to ensure the safety of workers, motorists and other road users.

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