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BARRENGARRY MOUNTAIN CLOSED FOR START OF MAJOR STABILISATION WORK

Parliamentary Secretary for the Illawarra and South Coast, and Member for Kiama Gareth Ward has today advised local motorists of further changed traffic conditions on Moss Vale Road at Barrengarry Mountain from next week to repair the section of road damaged by recent heavy rain.

Mr Ward said that Moss Vale Road will be closed at Barrengarry Mountain for night work from Monday 2 to Thursday 5 November between 9pm and 4am to excavate the road.

“Further work will be carried out from Sunday 8th November to Thursday 12th November between 9pm and 4am to excavate and rebuild damaged sections of the road. Other sections of the road will be reinforced to enable backfilling,” he said.

“This work will be the first stage in repairing the road, with work continuing after the night closures.

“During the day access will be maintained with one lane open under traffic control managed by temporary traffic lights.

“Motorists will be detoured via Macquarie Pass during the night closures.

“There will be an additional 40 minutes of travel time for motorists travelling from Nowra to the Southern Highlands and an additional 90 minutes between Kangaroo Valley and the Southern Highlands.

“Road users are advised to take care on tight bends and narrow sections of the road which may make it unsafe for long vehicles.

“Heavy vehicle drivers are reminded a restriction on vehicles longer than 14 metres remains in place as one lane remains closed to traffic,” Mr Ward said.

“Vehicles longer than 14 metres are not able to use Moss Vale Road as they are unable to safely pass through the single lane conditions in place.

“An alternative route for long vehicles is via Picton Road and the M1 Princes Motorway or the Illawarra Highway via Macquarie Pass.
“Signs remain in place warning of the length limit, alternative routes and changed traffic conditions.

“I certainly thank local motorists for their patience whilst this important work is being carried out,” Mr Ward concluded.

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