SAFETY IMPROVEMENT WORK TO START AT CRASH BLACKSPOT IN WYONG

Parliamentary Secretary for Regional Roads, Maritime and Transport, Kevin Anderson MP, has announced work to reduce the risk of crashes at the Pacific Highway and Johns Road roundabout at Wyong will start next Monday.

Mr Anderson said the NSW Government is funding the $550,000 work to improve safety for motorists and ease the flow of traffic through the roundabout.

“In the five years to June 2014 there were 13 crashes at this roundabout, nine of which resulted in injury which is why the work was given priority funding.”

“Work involves the installation of low level concrete kerb barriers on the edge of the median to reduce the risk of vehicles crossing to the wrong side of the road.”

Mr Anderson said road resurfacing will then be carried out in June to provide motorists with a smoother journey and line marking changes will be made on the Pacific Highway.

“Lanes will also be reconfigured so northbound through traffic can use the left lane and a zip merge arrangement will be provided for vehicles merging north of the roundabout.”

“This will help reduce the risk of collisions through the roundabout and around eight trees will be removed to improve sight distance for motorists.”

Work will be carried out from Monday 1 May between 7pm and 5am, excluding Fridays and Saturdays, and take around six weeks to complete, weather permitting.

For the safety of workers and road users, temporary lane closures and a reduced speed limit will be in place during work hours.

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