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WORK CONTINUES TO BUST CONGESTION ALONG KEY CORRIDORS IN SYDNEY’S SOUTH

Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight Melinda Pavey today announced traffic flow in Sydney's south will soon be improved with work on the $300 million Gateway to the South Pinch Points Program progressing.

The NSW Government is funding the essential program to ease congestion and improve journey reliability on Sydney’s key southern corridors.

“Congestion along key corridors such as Princes Highway will be significantly reduced with more than half of the program now underway,” Mrs Pavey said.

“We want motorists spending less time in the car and more time doing what they want which is why we are funding this important work.”

Member for Cronulla Mark Speakman said he was pleased work was about to start on improving congestion in the area.

“This work is long overdue. Once this vitally important work is finished, it will provide a substantially better journey for residents of the Shire,” he said.

“We are inviting the community to have its say on the proposed intersection improvements on Princes Highway at Acacia Road, Oak Road and the Kingsway at Kirrawee with the review of environmental factors on display until Monday 3 July.”

Member for Miranda Eleni Petinos said the Princes Highway is one of the most congested roads in Sydney’s south, which is why the community is invited to provide feedback on this important proposal to improve traffic flow for motorists.

“We are also asking the community to have its say on proposed improvements to the intersections of Princes Highway at President Avenue and The Boulevarde, which aims to reduce congestion, Ms Petinos said.

“These proposed improvements will not only make it easier for people in the southern suburbs to move around but also make this stretch of road safer for motorists.”

Work is also forging ahead on the $121 million Clearways Program with feedback invited on a proposal for new and extended clearways on Old Princes Highway, The Grand Parade, Linden Street, River Road and Bangor Bypass from Acacia Road at Kirrawee to New Illawarra Road at Menai.
Lee Evans Member for Heathcote welcomes progression on the congestion busting Pinch Point Program.

"After decades of neglect from the previous Government the Shire is finally getting their fair share, said Mr Evans"

“It is planned these works will improve those pinch points that frustrate motorists on a daily basis and help get working families home earlier”

The proposed new and extended clearways will help to provide more reliable travel times for motorists and maximise the benefits of the proposed intersection improvements.

The local community and stakeholders will continue to be kept informed during the planning process to help identify issues and minimise the impact of the proposed improvements.

The community is invited to attend drop-in sessions to speak with the project team, provide feedback and learn more about the proposed improvements. Sessions are:

- Thursday 8 June at Tradies Gymea between 6pm and 8pm;
- Wednesday 14 June at Sutherland Multi-Purpose Centre between 6pm and 8pm; and
- Saturday 17 June at Tradies Gymea between 10am and 12pm.

Feedback on the review of environmental factors, proposed intersection improvements and new and extended clearways is invited until Monday 3 July and will be considered when finalising the proposals.

Comments on the proposed improvements can be provided by phoning 02 8849 2374, emailing G2S@rms.nsw.gov.au or writing to Gateway to the South Pinch Points project team, PO Box 973, Parramatta CBD NSW 2124.

The community is also reminded to provide feedback on proposed intersection improvements along Princes Highway at Rocky Point Road and Gray Street at Kogarah, Port Hacking Road at Sylvania and Heathcote Road at Engadine by Monday 5 June.

For more information about the Gateway to the South Pinch Points Program and to provide feedback on proposed intersection improvements visit rms.nsw.gov.au/g2s.