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**Barwon roads continue to improve**

With a number of roads receiving attention across the electorate, Member for Barwon, Kevin Humphries has reiterated the NSW Government's commitment to Western roads.

Mr Humphries today announced the completion of work to improve the road surface on the Mitchell Highway at Mullengudgery.

He said the $755,000 project, east of Nyngan is good news for motorists who use the highway on a regular basis.

"Motorists now have an improved surface, enhancing the drive and safety on this section of road," Mr Humphries said.

"The work consisted of shoulder widening, stabilisation of the road surface and reshaping and sealing the road.

The work was carried out in two stages. The first section included improvements to a one kilometre stretch of road and the second section included a further 900 metres of improvements.

The work took seven weeks to complete.

Mr Humphries has also announced the start of work on the new Bogan River Bridge at Beemery, 43 kilometres east of Bourke on the Kamilaroi Highway.

"The 70 metre, two lane, bridge will be stronger and wider and offer an improved road alignment."

"The work means motorists will be able to enjoy a new bridge which will last longer and require less maintenance.

"This is great news for users of the Kamilaroi Highway who will soon have a smoother and safer ride across the new bridge.

"About 250 vehicles use this bridge each day."

The $3.3 million project is expected to be completed in December 2012, weather permitting.