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F3 INTERCHANGE UPGRADE WORK STARTS AT WAHROONGA

Work to reduce traffic congestion and delays by upgrading the F3-Pacific Highway interchange at Wahroonga has started, NSW Premier and Member for Ku ring Gai Barry O’Farrell said today.

“The connection between the F3 and the highway is often a point of frustration for motorists who regularly experience long delays and queues during peak periods,” Mr O’Farrell said.

“The $5 million project will reduce congestion and delays by widening the southbound off ramp and extending the dual lanes of the northbound on ramp.

“The upgrade also involves clearing and replacing landscaping to build a retaining wall for the southbound off ramp and improving pedestrian ramps, road markings, lighting and the road surface.”

“The long term solution - construction of the F3-M2 link - is one of the Sydney road projects currently being assessed by Infrastructure NSW,” he said.

To obtain community feedback about the F3-Pacific Highway proposal, more than 700 letters were distributed to local residents, businesses and other stakeholders.

“Comments showed the community supports action to reduce congestion around the interchange,” he said.

“Work started on Thursday 23 February and will take around eight months, weather permitting.”

To minimise traffic disruption work will be carried out at night from Sunday to Thursday between 8pm and 5am. There will be some noise associated with the work, however every effort will be made to reduce its impact on nearby residents and businesses. Residences are not expected to be affected by increased noise from the road when work is completed.

During the work motorists are reminded to obey all signs and instructions from traffic controllers. Slow down and drive carefully through work sites. Roadwork speed limits are enforceable.