WORK SET TO START ON BARHAM BRIDGE

John Williams The Nationals Member for Murray-Darling announced work to upgrade Barham Bridge over the Murray River at Barham is about to start.

The NSW Government is providing $150,000 this financial year for the joint project with the Victorian Government.

The single lane bridge, which connects Barham in NSW with Koondrook in Victoria, is being restored by Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) to ensure it continues to service the local and travelling community well into the future.

“The bridge is one of the oldest liftspan structures on the Murray River,” Mr Williams said.

“RMS plans to carry out the first stages of this restoration project this year.

“Work on the site compound started Friday with new mechanical components and bearings being installed on the liftspan soon after.

“As this work is quite complex, some day and night closures will be needed to ensure it is completed safely.

“RMS has engaged the Regional Development Company to contact local stakeholders about the closures and how the effects can be minimised.

“This information will be used to help RMS finalise its work schedule.

“RMS will notify the community of planned traffic changes and closures once they have been confirmed,” Mr Williams said.

People who would like to provide feedback to RMS about days and times for closures should contact Rob Carolane at The Regional Development Company on (03) 5722 2207.

Further information is also available by contacting Project Manager, Syed Nowmani, at RMS South West Region on (02) 6938 1111.

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