Construction update – October and November 2014

The NSW Government is providing $23 million to upgrade Sparks Road at Woongarrah to improve traffic flow and safety.

Roads and Maritime Services is carrying out a major upgrade of Sparks Road between Virginia and Hiawatha Roads at Woongarrah. The upgrade will provide two lanes in each direction on Sparks Road and include a new intersection around 500 metres west of Minnesota Road providing access to the new Warnervale town centre.

Significant progress has been made on the upgrade with stormwater drainage and road widening work on the southern side of Sparks Road now complete.

A major milestone was reached in early September when traffic was moved onto this newly constructed section of road. This traffic switch will enable widening work to continue on the northern side of the road.

Upcoming activities scheduled to be carried out in October and November, weather permitting, are:

- Stormwater drainage, road excavation and widening work on the northern side of Sparks Road, east and west of Mary Mackillop Drive
- Recycling road base material from the existing road for use in the new sections of road
- Construction of the new Warnervale Town Centre intersection
- Installation of traffic lights and street lighting
- Drainage work under the roadway at Sparks Road east of Minnesota Road.

The new Warnervale town centre intersection is scheduled for completion in February 2015 with all work on the upgrade expected to be completed in June 2015, weather permitting.

Changed traffic conditions and current traffic switch arrangements will continue during the Sparks Road upgrade. Motorists are advised to proceed with caution and follow signage and the instructions of traffic controllers. Pedestrians are also advised to exercise caution and follow the designated pathways and signage.

During construction there will be heavy vehicles, workers and machinery in close proximity to properties and businesses. Motorists and residents should exercise caution when entering and exiting their properties and are requested to restrict their movements to left turn in and left turn out only. Residents are requested to follow any safety directions provided by the works staff.

The work hours are:
- Monday to Friday between 7.00am and 6.00pm.
- Saturday between 8.00am and 1.00pm.
Night work may be required at times to ensure the safety of workers and motorists and to minimise the impact on traffic flow. Nearby residents will be notified prior to any night work being carried out.

We are conscious of the effect this work may have on surrounding residents and businesses and every effort will be made to minimise impacts. We appreciate the ongoing patience of residents and business owners.

All construction enquiries should be directed to our delivery partner Robson Civil Projects by contacting:
- Andrew Newberry, Senior Project Manager. Tel. 0417 248 651 (24 hours)
- Peter Feeney, Site Manager. Tel. 0400 246 180 (24 hours)
- Robson Civil Projects Head Office Tel. 02 4324 6888 (during business hours only).

For further information on the project, please contact the Roads and Maritime’s Project Manager, Bandula Wijesinghe on 02 4379 7001 during business hours.

Regular construction updates will be provided during the project to keep the community informed about progress and upcoming work.

Photograph on left - Construction of road surface at the new Warnervale Town Centre intersection.

Photograph below – Aerial image of the project area looking to the west at the end of August 2014.