Scone Level Crossing Feasibility Study
– Route Options Display

Roads and Maritime Services is seeking your input on the five short-listed route options to address the impacts of rail operations on the New England Highway (Kelly Street) rail level crossing in Scone.

In this update:
• A summary of the five route options for community comment.
• Route option maps.
• Upcoming community consultation activities.
• Information on how a preferred route will be decided and an invitation to participate in that process.

Comments are invited by 30 November 2012.
Update on the project

In August 2011 Roads and Maritime Services (RMS), on behalf of the Australian Government, commenced an Options and Feasibility Study to consider the impacts of rail operations on the New England Highway (Kelly Street) rail level crossing at Scone, and identify a preferred solution. This project is being funded under the Australian Government Regional Infrastructure Fund.

An Options Identification Report is available on the project website and outlines the process undertaken to identify issues, effects and constraints of existing and future changes to rail haulage on the New England Highway through Scone, and identify a broad range of potential options. The report documents how the options were workshopped with stakeholders to identify the five options for further consideration in the Options and Feasibility Assessment.

The five options have now been further developed including:

- Preliminary concept designs of all options.
- A traffic assessment.
- A construction staging assessment.
- Strategic lower cost estimates.
- An assessment of value for money.

The process from here

Community comments on the five options, the investigations undertaken and the outcomes of a value management workshop will inform a decision on the preferred route option.

RMS is targeting to identify the recommended preferred option by the end of 2012.

Your feedback on the recommended preferred option is shown in the flowchart (right).
## Summary of the options

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Note: This section of the Main Northern Railway is managed by the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC).

### Next step: to recommend a preferred route option

Each of these five options provide opportunities and challenges. The preferred option will be selected by assessing which option represents the most appropriate balance between functional, social, environmental, engineering and cost factors.

The inputs to the recommended preferred option will include:

- Comments received from community consultation.
- The investigations carried out.
- The outcomes of a value management workshop.
Option 1. New England Highway bypass of Scone

- New road to Kingdon Street
- Modified access to Bill Rose Sports Complex
- Netball courts at the Bill Rose Sports Complex to be relocated
- Left in/Left out to Kingdon Street
- No access
- Bridge over rail line

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Option 2. New England Highway realignment to Muffett Street

- Kelly Street rail level crossing retained
- Relocate Mare and Foal Statue
- 50km/h speed limit
- No access
- New traffic signals at Susan Street
Option 3. Road over rail bridge at Kelly Street level crossing

- Close Kelly Street rail crossing
- Relocate Mare and Foal Statue
- New Muffett Street intersection
- New traffic signals at Susan Street
- No access

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Option 4. Road over rail bridge at Kelly Street level crossing

- Adjust road level in Guernsey Street
- Adjust road level in Mount Street
- Close Kelly Street rail crossing
- New roundabout at Guernsey Street
- New Muffett Street intersection and realignment
- Extension of Susan Street to Kelly Street rail level crossing and Muffett Street as traffic diversion during construction. Converts to parking area at end of project
- 50km/h speed limit
- New traffic signals at Susan Street

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Option 5. Railway bypass of Scone

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Option subject to ARTC approval
Upcoming community consultation
Get involved to help select the preferred option.

Information displays
These are informal sessions. You are invited to drop in any time during the session. The team can take your feedback and answer any questions you may have about the options or how they may impact you.

Dates to mark in your calendar

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Nominations due
Value management workshop

Comment period closes
Community feedback due

Value Management Workshop
A workshop with participants from the project team, Council, government agencies, other key stakeholders and the community will be held on Tuesday 11 December 2012.

At this workshop participants will assess the five route options based on the outcomes of the technical and environmental investigations and the issues raised in the submissions received from the display of options.

The workshop will input to the identification of a recommended preferred option. We invite you to nominate to attend.

For further project enquires
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Vietnamese Nếu bạn cần dịch giả, vui lòng liên hệ TIS Quốc gia số 131 450 và nhờ họ gọi cho Roads and Maritime Services số 1800 633 332.
Prior to nominating, please carefully consider your suitability based on the following self assessment criteria:

- Ability to commit the necessary time (you cannot substitute other people if you can’t make it) to a one day workshop, **11 December 2012 from 9am**.
- You represent yourself and participate as an individual.
- You agree to contribute within the agreed structure of the workshop.
- You acknowledge there will be a diversity of views and agree to allow all participants to contribute equally.
- You give a genuine commitment to achieving the best outcome.
- You agree with common courtesy and will treat others with respect throughout all dealings.
- You are either:
  1. A property owner, residential or business owner/tenant within Scone; or
  2. A regular user that does not live in the vicinity of one of the route options.

Nominations close 30 November 2012.

I hereby nominate myself to participate in the value management workshop.

I am a property owner or resident (primary residency), or business owner/tenant impacted on or near one of the route options (please tick).

- [ ] Option 1  
- [ ] Option 2  
- [ ] Option 3  
- [ ] Option 4  
- [ ] Option 5

Or, I am a regular road user living at:

I am able to commit my time for the one day workshop, **11 December 2012 from 9am**.

**Personal details**

Name:

Address:

Suburb:  Postcode:  State:

Please indicate best phone number and time to contact:

Email address:

For further information or to speak to the project manager, please call 02 4924 0332.
Feedback

We would like to hear your views on the options; in particular, we would like to know:

- What do you think is the most important consideration when determining the preferred route option?
- What do you like about some of the options?
- What do you not like about some of the options?

Please provide your feedback in writing by **30 November 2012**. Submissions may be sent attached to this reply paid envelope, emailed to philip.davidson@rms.nsw.gov.au, or submitted via the project website.

To mail this questionnaire fold along the dotted lines and seal with clear tape. Mail your completed form (no stamp required) to the address below.