The NSW Government is funding the $48 million bridge project in Tabulam to improve road safety and efficiency. The project involves building a new 290 metre long concrete bridge, as well as improvements to the road approaches to the new bridge.

**Project snapshot**

**Contractors:** Delaney Civil Pty Ltd  
**Start of construction:** October 2017  
**Expected completion:** mid 2020  
**Project value and funding:** $48 million  
**NSW Bridges for the Bush program**

**What has happened to date?**

Since work started in late October 2017, the following progress has been made:

- Construction of site office and temporary access tracks for bridge construction
- Environmental protection controls and boundary fencing installed
- Warning devices installed in the river for water users
- Completion of the piling work on the eastern side of the river
- Started piling works on the western side of the river
- Installed the temporary concrete batch plant on Tabulam Road which is now up and running and will produce all of the concrete required for the bridge and operate during normal work hours
• Started constructing the bridge piers and headstocks to support the bridge girders on the eastern side of the river
• Started placing fill material from the borrow pit on the western side of the river to support the road approaches to the bridges
• Started piling work for the overflow bridge west of the main bridge.

What is happening in the next three months?

Building the new bridge
• Continue to excavate soil from the site known as the ‘borrow pit’ with progressive remediation work, including topsoiling and seeding being carried out as sections are used

The ‘borrow pit’ site is providing all the earthwork material required to build the bridge approaches. This will result in a large reduction of truck movements on the Bruxner Highway from as far afield as Casino, Lismore and Tenterfield.

• Continue to pour concrete for the bridge piles on western side and in the river
• Continue to pour concrete for the new bridge columns, headstocks and abutments
• Start to deliver bridge girders to site and store at the Tabulam Road compound ready to be transported to the site and lift into place.

To assist in the delivery of the large bridge girders, which are 32 metres in length and weigh about 50 tonnes each, some minor traffic disruptions may occur. More information will be provided prior to this work starting.

Road work
• Work on the Bruxner Highway is expected to start in mid-2018 on the western side of the bridge. This will involve closing one lane of the Bruxner Highway. More information will be provided prior to work starting.

Landscaping proposal
• Landscaping for the area will take place towards the end of the project. A diagram showing details on what the landscaping will look like and what is being planted will be provided in the coming months.

Work hours
Typically, work is carried out during approved construction hours, which are Monday to Friday between 7am and 6pm and on Saturday between 8am to 1pm. Nearby residents will be notified at least five working days in advance of any activities scheduled outside of these working hours.

Thank you for your patience during this important work.

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Building the new Tabulam Bridge on the eastern side of the river