The NSW Government is funding the $340 million upgrade of Schofields Road between Windsor Road and Richmond Road. The upgrade includes an extension of Schofields Road across Eastern Creek to Carnarvon Road and widening along the alignment of South Street. Once completed it will link the Rouse Hill and Marsden Park town centres and help to better meet the future transport needs of the North West Priority Land Release Area.

The NSW Government is progressively building the 8km four lane Schofields Road Upgrade between Windsor Road and Richmond Road to improve capacity along this critical east-west corridor.

The project will provide improved road connections for people in Sydney’s north-west where about an additional 200,000 people are expected to live by 2045.

Stage One of the Schofields Road Upgrade from Windsor Road to Tallawong Road was opened to traffic in June 2014.

Stage Two of the Schofields Road Upgrade is between Tallawong Road and Veron Road. It includes an underpass of the Richmond railway line near Schofields train station and connects to Veron Road. This work is well under way and expected to be completed by early 2017, weather permitting.

Work on the final stage of the Schofields Road Upgrade between Veron Road and Richmond Road started in March 2016. To date we have made good progress in earth works and bridge works. The Schofields Road Upgrade is expected to be completed by mid-2018, weather permitting.

Further details about what is happening along the route are shown on the map inside this update.
Project benefits

- Supports Sydney’s newest suburbs in the north west including Schofields, Riverstone and Marsden Park where more than 70,000 new homes will be built
- Improved journeys for road users between Rouse Hill and the future Marsden Park town centres and between Schofields Railway Station and future Sydney Metro stations
- Improved safety for motorists
- Provides a flood free route between Windsor Road and Richmond Road
- Increases road capacity in Sydney’s north west
- Improves travel times
- Increases safety for pedestrians and cyclists with new off road shared paths
- Provides new bus bays and bus priority lanes at major intersections to improve traffic flow.

Key features

The project will provide:

- A transit boulevard in a corridor that is generally 43 metres wide
- New and upgraded intersections with traffic lights at The Ponds Boulevard, Cudgegong Road, Tallawong Road/ Ridgeline Drive, Hambledon Road, Boundary Road/ Alex Avenue, Junction Road, Railway Terrace, Veron Road, Carnarvon Road, Fermoy Road and Richmond Road
- Left-in/left-out access at Schofields Farm Road
- An underpass crossing of the Richmond railway line
- An extension of Schofields Road from Railway Terrace through to South Street and Richmond Road
- Five twin bridges at First and Second Ponds Creeks, a tributary east of Railway Terrace, Eastern Creek and Bells Creek
- A tree-lined corridor and wide median
- Designated turning lanes at intersections
- Off-road shared paths for cyclists and pedestrians
- Bus priority access
- Improved flood immunity

Construction hours

Our standard construction hours are between 7am and 6pm from Mondays to Fridays and between 8am and 1pm on Saturdays, excluding public holidays. Roads and Maritime will advise residents if work needs to be carried out outside these hours.

Noise

There will be some noise associated with this work. We are making every effort to minimise noise by turning off machinery when not in use. Equipment like generators are being placed away from residential areas whenever possible.

Other projects in the area

Richmond Road Upgrade

Richmond Road is being upgraded north of Bells Creek Bridge, Colebee to the South Creek floodplain. The road is being widened from two lanes to four lanes with provision for six lanes in the future.

The $39 million upgrade of Richmond Road between Bells Creek and Townson Road was completed and opened to traffic in July 2014. Work is currently being carried out on the $96 million project known as Stage 2 between Townson Road and Elara Boulevard with construction expected to be completed by late 2016.

Stage 3, between Elara Boulevard and South Creek floodplain, delivery planning will take place as neighbouring development progresses.

Bandon Road

The NSW Government is planning for the future by reserving a new road corridor between Richmond Road, Marsden Park and Windsor Road, Vineyard. This is part of the North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy medium-term work and is subject to funding availability.

Roads and Maritime recently carried out consultation in August 2016 on the preferred corridor. All comments received will be considered in the decision making and development of the concept design. A report summarising issues raised will be published later this year. Further information about this project is available from the Roads and Maritime website at rms.nsw.gov.au/nwplra.

Westminster Street traffic lights

The NSW Government is funding this project to improve travel times and safety at the intersection of Westminster Street and Railway Terrace, Schofields. Roads and Maritime sought comments from the community and stakeholders on installing traffic lights at the intersection in August 2015.

A report summarising issues raised during consultation and our responses is available from the Roads and Maritime website at rms.nsw.gov.au/nwplra. Construction started in April 2016 and is due to be completed by late 2016.

This project is part of the short-term work for the North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy.

Denmark Link Road

As part of the short-term work proposed for the North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy we are planning to build a link road from the intersection of Garfield Road West and Denmark Road, Riverstone to Westminster Street, Schofields.

A number of options were developed and an assessment was carried out with key stakeholders to select a preferred option. An Options Report has been prepared detailing the process carried out in the selection of the preferred option.

A report summarising issues raised during consultation and our responses is being prepared.
Where are we up to?

1. Hambledon Road – Four way intersection with traffic lights: work on southbound lanes have been completed. The final layer of asphalt will be laid when the traffic lights are installed. Northbound pavement work has started.

2. First Ponds Creek Bridge: eastbound work has been completed, with southeast work currently in construction.

3. Boundary Road and Alex Avenue – Four way intersection with traffic lights: northbound work has been completed with eastbound work in construction.

4. First Ponds Creek to Schofields Farm Road: eastbound lanes have been completed around the area. A new rock bridge has been constructed.

5. Junction Road – Four way intersection with traffic lights: work has started and is currently in construction. Drainage work has been completed.

6. Schofields Farm Road to Railway Terrace – westbound lanes are completed except for the final layer of asphalt. Work is currently underway on utility relocations and pavement construction.

7. Bridges of tributary east of Railway Terrace: eastbound work has been completed and westbound work is currently in construction.

8. Railway Terrace traffic lights: currently in construction.

9. Railway line underpass: excavation work beneath the existing railway line is currently underway.

10. Bridge Street bridge over Schofields Road: construction work has been completed.

11. Veron Road – four way intersection with traffic lights: construction work has been completed with traffic lights to be installed.

12. South Street and green fields between Carnarvon Road and Veron Road: piling work for Eastern Creek Bridge is nearing completion. Earthwork has started and is progressing well.

13. Eastern Creek: piling work is completed. Stormwater and culvert work is currently underway. A temporary closure of the new section of road has been completed. A temporary northbound road has been constructed adjacent to Carnarvon Road so work can be carried out on the new section of road.

14. Corner of Carnarvon Road and South Street: westbound earthwork and culvert work is currently underway.

15. Richmond Road to 200 metres west of Carnarvon Road: eastbound lanes have been completed with pavement work underway.

16. Leachate Pond: relocation work has been completed.

17. Bells Creek: piling work has been completed.

18. Bells Creek to Richmond Road: earthwork and stormwater drainage work has been completed.

19. Fermoy Road: future road connection completed.

20. Flood mitigation culverts around Carnarvon Road: currently in construction.
Did you know?
During the upgrade of Schofields Road between Tallawong Road and Richmond Road we have:
- Employed about 160 people every month
- Provided traineeships/apprenticeships to 14 people
- Laid more than 13,686 tonnes of asphalt
- Placed 10,000 cubic metres of concrete under the road pavement and shared pedestrian path
- Moved 223,185 cubic metres of earth
- Planted about 14,584 shrubs, 59,924 young plants and laid 13,400 square metres of turf.

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Schofields Road Upgrade Stage 2 and surrounding developments along the corridor