



Transport for NSW

Great Western Highway upgrade Kelso to Raglan – start of early works

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The NSW Government is investing \$45 million to ease congestion and improve travel times and safety for motorists.

Project overview

Transport for NSW has finalised the design for the Great Western Highway upgrade from Kelso to Raglan and will soon commence early works.

The project is located on the Great Western Highway east of Kelso, near Bathurst.

Early work activities will commence from **Monday 2 November** around PJ Moodie Memorial Drive and Ceramic Avenue, continuing west to Ashworth Drive.

Work includes the installation of project signage and fencing, utility relocation and site establishment as well as transferring large equipment to site.

The upgrade is expected to take two and a half years to complete, with major construction starting in **January 2021**, weather permitting.

Project benefits

- Reduced congestion, particularly during major events and holiday periods
- A much smoother drive and reduced road maintenance requirements
- Improved access to Bathurst Airport
- Improved connections for regional communities
- Improved road safety for all road users
- Improved flood immunity of the highway
- Improved pedestrian and bicycle access to Kelso

Kelso to Raglan upgrade map



Key features

- Upgraded highway for 3.6 kilometres from Kelso to the east of Raglan
- Two lanes in each direction from Ashworth Drive to Napoleon Street
- Two lanes eastbound and one lane westbound from Napoleon Street to the east of Ceramic Avenue
- Safer turning paths at intersections with the highway
- Removing the right turn from the highway into property accesses to improve safety and reduce the risk of collision
- Installing traffic lights at the PJ Moodie intersection to improve access and safety
- Installation of a shared footpath from Ashworth Drive to Eugenie Street.

What will happen during the work?

Standard working hours on the project are between **7am and 6pm Monday to Friday** and **8am to 1pm on Saturdays**. Night work may be required and residents and businesses will be informed before any night work starts.

Transport for NSW is committed to working with the community and will try to minimise the impact to nearby properties and traffic on the highway while work is being carried out. Access to properties will be maintained.

Building road infrastructure is disruptive and takes time. Thank you for your patience.

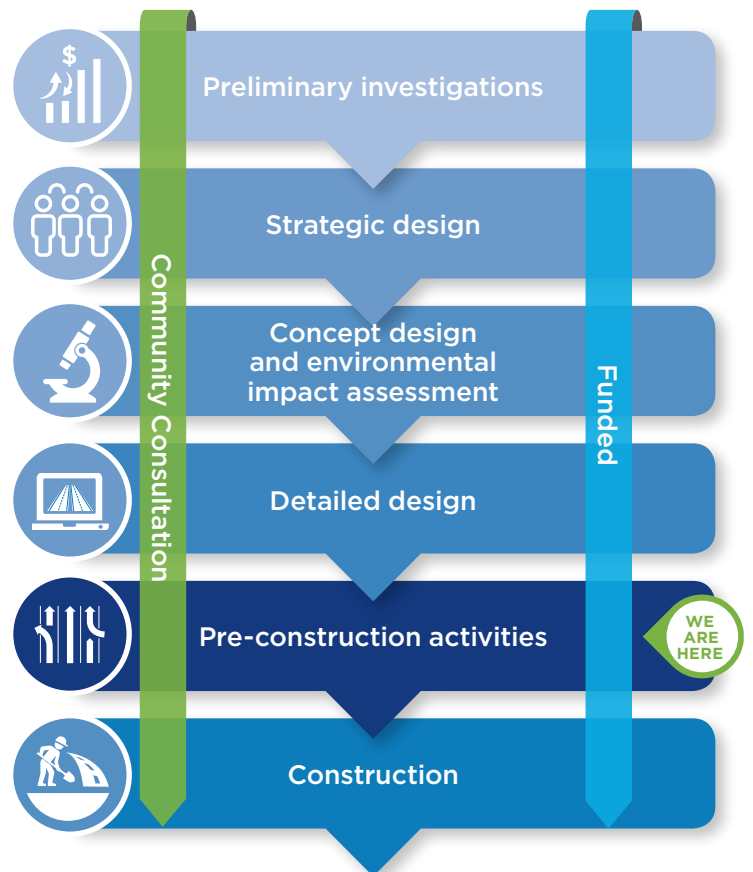
People and employment

In addition to delivering road user benefits, the project will provide construction opportunities for the local community.

On Monday 28 September Transport for NSW held an online industry session via Facebook for local businesses interested in working on the project. Over 60 people joined on the night with an additional 300 views of the session in the week that followed.

Transport for NSW has a number of opportunities remaining to tender for work, listed on the project webpage. If you'd like to be added to the database, please email kelsotoraglan@transport.nsw.gov.au with your details and what you'd like to tender for.

What happens next?




We're here for you

We will continue to liaise with stakeholders and the community during the construction of the project.

You can subscribe to email updates to stay informed about work on the project

To register your details, contact the project team on:

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