

Whittingham rest area permanently closing on Monday 3 February 2020

The NSW Government is providing \$85 million under the Rebuilding NSW Plan to upgrade the New England Highway between Belford and the Golden Highway.

Transport for NSW is progressing work on the upgrade, which would provide two travel lanes in each direction on the New England Highway and a flyover for vehicles turning right from the Golden Highway. The upgrade would improve traffic flow, travel times and safety for motorists.

The Whittingham rest area (also known as Singleton East rest area) will be permanently closing on Monday 3 February 2020 as part of early work for the upgrade.

The rest area, located adjacent to the New England Highway and Golden Highway intersection, is being removed to allow work to start on the upgrade. We have included a map to show the location of the rest area being closed and alternate rest areas.

Nearby rest areas

The nearby townships of Singleton and Branxton offer motorists an alternate place to stop with a range of amenities. Alternative rest areas are located:

- about 15km north on the New England Highway at Rixs Creek Road, north of Singleton
- about 10km south on the Hunter Expressway at Branxton (heavy vehicles only)
- about 40km south on the Hunter Expressway at Buchanan
- about 22km west on Golden Hwy at Warkworth

For information about nearby rest area locations and facilities please visit rms.nsw.gov.au/restareas.

Next steps for the upgrade

We are currently planning to invite construction tenders to build the upgrade in the first half of 2020. The community will be notified when this next step takes place.

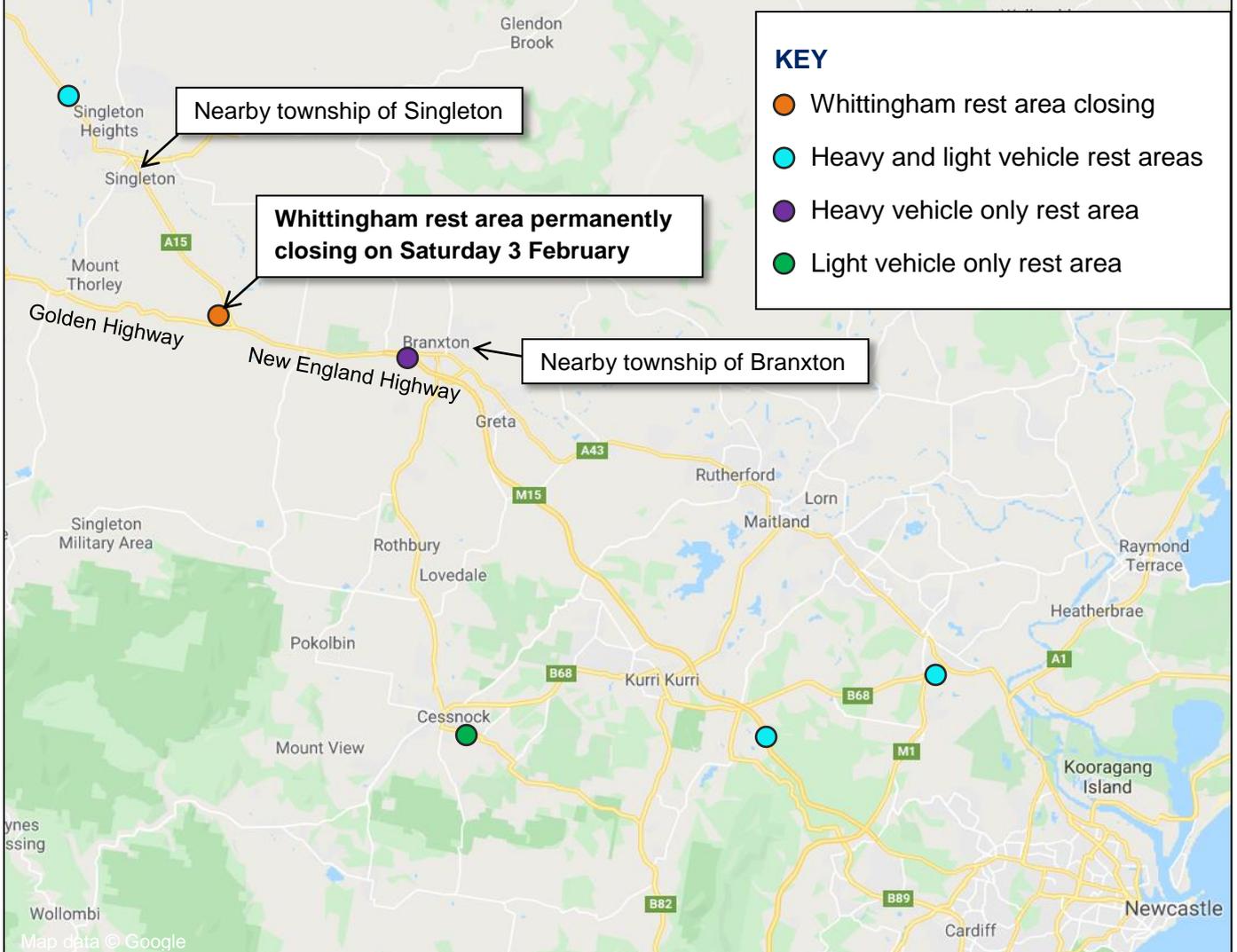
Early work on the upgrade, including utility relocations is expected to start in 2020. We will notify the community of timing for main construction work when it has been confirmed.

Contact

If you have any questions, please contact our Project team on 1800 945 202 or at BelfordtoGoldenHighway@rms.nsw.gov.au.

For more information about the highway upgrade please visit rms.work/B2G.

Rest areas near Whittingham



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