

## Start of work on New England Highway safety improvements, Whittingham from Monday 20 April

The NSW Government is investing \$3.29 million for a project between the Golden Highway and Newington Lane to improve safety and reduce the risk of crashes.

Transport for NSW sought feedback from the community and stakeholders on the proposal in November and December 2019. We would like to thank everyone who took time to provide feedback.

A total of 23 submissions were received during the consultation period and a community consultation report summarising the comments, responses and details of the decision is available to view on our website at [nswroads.work/whittingham](http://nswroads.work/whittingham).

Following a review of the comments some changes were made to the design, including removal of some of the proposed roadside safety barriers to minimise restrictions to farming equipment.

Further consultation with directly affected residents will be carried out before proposed audio-tactile line marking will be installed along the edge lines and centreline of the road.

### The project

Transport will soon start work on the project, which involves:

- resurfacing 950 metres of the highway from Range Road towards Singleton
- installing a one metre wide painted centreline along a 2.2 kilometre section of the highway between Range Road and Newington Lane. This will involve reducing the width of the road shoulders.
- installing street lighting at the Range Road and Racecourse Lane intersections
- installing median and roadside safety barriers at various locations
- signage and delineation improvements on the approaches to Mudies Creek Bridge
- tree trimming to improve sight distance
- maintenance and minor access improvements along the route.

### Our work schedule

Work will start on **Monday 20 April**. We will be working between **7pm** and **5am** from **Sunday** to **Thursday**. Some work will also be carried out during the day between **7am** and **5am** from **Monday** to **Friday**. Work is expected to be complete by **mid-June**, weather permitting.

### How will the work affect you?

The work will involve the use of machinery which generates some noise. We will make every effort to minimise noise by turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use and arranging work in stages along the highway.

## Traffic changes

There will be some temporary traffic changes to ensure the work zone is safe. A reduced speed limit and temporary lane closures will be in place during work hours.

For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit [livetraffic.com](http://livetraffic.com) or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

## Contact

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