

## Work to start on new overtaking lane on the Newell Highway, near Tocomwal, from Monday 18 May 2020

The Newell Highway Program Alliance is building a new overtaking lane near Chinamans Road, about six kilometres north of Tocomwal, to improve safety, reduce travel times and improve freight productivity.

A new one-and-a-half kilometre long northbound overtaking lane will be built on the Newell Highway, near Chinamans Road, Tocomwal.

### What are we doing?

Initial work includes establishing a site compound, stockpile site and fencing. Other work to be carried out includes installing environmental controls, removing vegetation, and road widening.

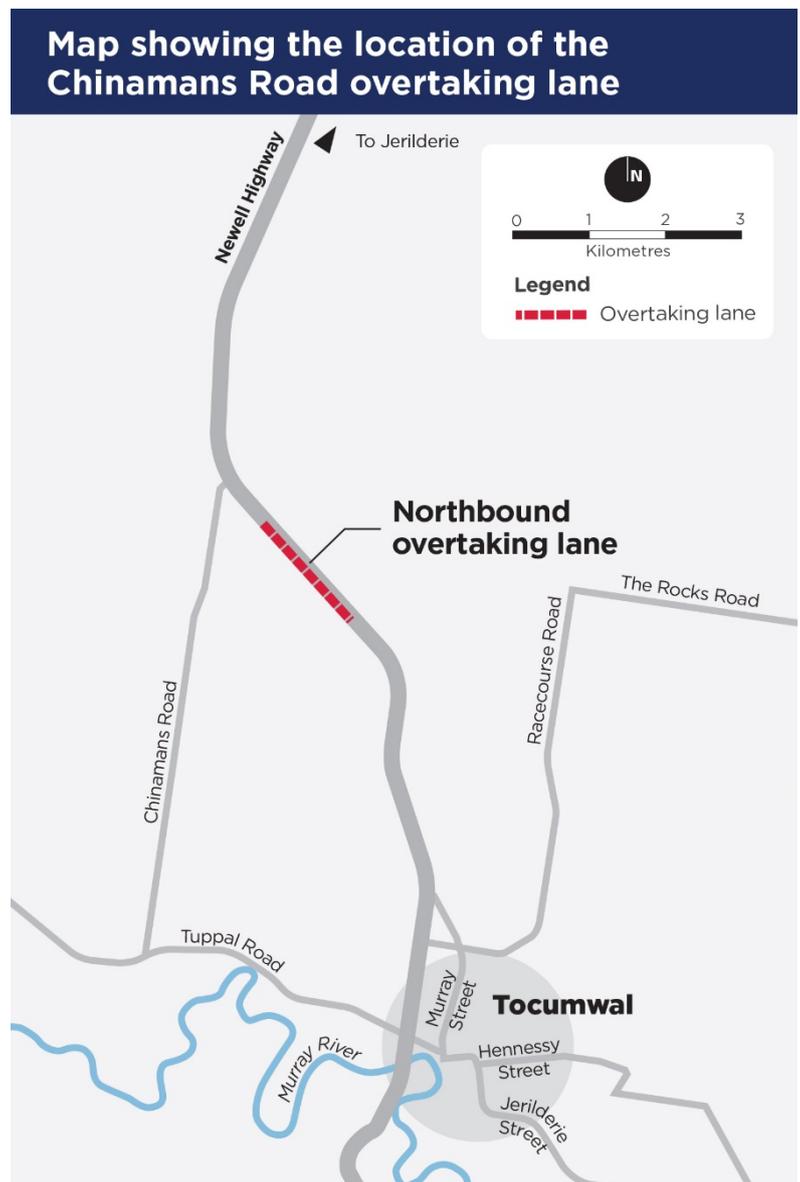
We will keep the community regularly informed about the progress of the work and any changes.

Once completed, road users on the Newell Highway will experience improved safety and more efficient travel times along this section of the Newell Highway.

Work will start on **Monday 18 May 2020** and is expected to take five months to complete, weather permitting.

Work will be carried out on a two-week rotating roster as below:

- **Week 1:** Tuesday to Friday 7am to 6pm; Saturday and Sunday 8am to 6pm
- **Week 2:** Monday to Thursday 7am to 6pm; No work Friday to Monday



## How will this affect me?

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

There is likely to be some dust from the clearing, vegetation removal and earthworks. We will use measures to minimise or prevent air pollution and dust, including covering exposed areas.

This two-week rotating roster will enable work on the overtaking lane sites to continue during this unprecedented time and continue to help support regional economies.

## Traffic changes

Changed traffic conditions include reduced speed limits of 40 km/h and 60 km/h during work hours and 80 km/h after hours, which may affect travel times.

All motorists are advised to drive to the conditions and follow the directions of signs and traffic control.

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

## What else is happening?

The Newell Highway Program Alliance has delivered eight of about 30 additional overtaking lanes along the Newell Highway since the program started in March 2019. Six overtaking lanes are currently in construction.

More information on this and other overtaking lane projects along the Newell Highway can be found on our project website at [nswroads.work/nhpa](http://nswroads.work/nhpa).

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