Upgrading the Central Coast road network between Narara and Lisarow

Pacific Highway and Manns Road upgrade between Parsons Road at Lisarow and Narara Creek Road at Narara.

Roads and Maritime Services is planning a future upgrade of the Pacific Highway and Manns Road between Narara and Lisarow. This community update contains information on the preferred option for the section of road between Narara Creek Road at Narara and Parsons Road at Lisarow.

Stakeholders and the community are invited to comment on the preferred option by 9 June 2014. Roads and Maritime will consider this feedback in preparing the concept design. The preferred option for the section of highway between Ourimbah Street and Parsons Road at Lisarow was displayed for community feedback in November 2013. For further information the community update is available for viewing at rms.nsw.gov.au.

Background

Roads and Maritime has carried out extensive investigations and community consultation in order to finalise a preferred route for the upgrade of the Pacific Highway between Narara and Lisarow.

The preferred route along the existing Pacific Highway was approved by the NSW Minister for Roads and Freight in February 2013.

Roads and Maritime has since prepared a preferred strategic design for the section of road between Narara Creek Road at Narara and Parsons Road at Lisarow. The preferred option considers community comments received during the public display period in 2012.

This community update provides information on changes to the design as part of the route selection process. Roads and Maritime is seeking community comment in order to finalise the strategic design.
Pacific Highway and Manns Road upgrade between Narara Creek Road at Narara and Parsons Road at Lisarow

Features
The preferred option includes:

- Two lanes in each direction on the Pacific Highway
- Traffic lights to replace the roundabout at the Manns Road and Pacific Highway intersection
- Traffic lights to replace the roundabout at the Manns Road and Narara Valley Drive intersection
- New bridge structures along Manns Road over Narara Creek and the railway line
- Traffic lights on Manns Road at the Narara Creek Road, Adam Street/Reeves Street and Showground Road intersections
- Traffic lights on the Pacific Highway at the Parsons Road, Newling Street, Lenna Street/Pierce Street, Nurra Road/Argyle Avenue and Berrys Head Road intersections
- New roundabout at Reeves Street and a new local street
- New local roads connecting Carrington and Reeves Streets, and Berrys Head and Wyoming Roads
- Improved pedestrian and cycle paths along and across the Pacific Highway and Manns Road
- Synchronisation of traffic lights, with priority given to traffic flows along the Pacific Highway and Manns Road.

Benefits
Key benefits of the preferred option include:

- Improved traffic flow on the Pacific Highway and Manns Road
- Improved safety for all road users
- Improved pedestrian and cycle network.

Design changes since the 2012 public display
There have been several changes made to the design since the 2012 public display to improve access to the connecting local roads while maximising traffic flow along the Pacific Highway and Manns Road.

The changes consider community feedback received and further investigations. They include:

- Traffic lights to replace the roundabout at the Manns Road and Pacific Highway intersection
- Traffic lights to replace the roundabout at the Manns Road and Narara Valley Drive intersection
- Building traffic lights at the Pacific Highway and Berrys Head Road intersection
- New roundabout at Reeves Street and a new local street
- New bridge structures along Manns Road over Narara Creek and the railway line
- Building new local link roads between Carrington and Reeves Streets, and between Berrys Head and Wyoming Roads.

Further information on the option investigations is provided in the Design Options Report February 2014, which is available for viewing at rms.nsw.gov.au.

Property impacts
The preferred option involves road widening and construction of several retaining walls along the route, which would impact some properties. Full or partial property acquisitions would be required in some instances. Roads and Maritime will work closely with potentially affected property owners on identified property impacts.
Next steps

Stakeholders and the community are invited to comment on the preferred option by **9 June 2014**. Roads and Maritime will consider this feedback in order to prepare the concept design and carry out environmental impact assessments.

A construction timeframe has not yet been identified. Staging options for construction delivery would be looked at as part of further investigations.

Please send us your feedback by:

**Phoning:** Roads and Maritime project team on (02) 4379 7001 (during business hours)

**Emailing:** Central.Coast.Office@rms.nsw.gov.au

**Writing to:** Roads and Maritime Services Central Coast Office PO Box 766 Woy Woy NSW 2256

Community information session

The community is invited to view the plans and find out general information at a staffed display to be held on **Tuesday 27 May 2014 from 4pm to 7pm** at:

Gosford/Narara Neighbourhood Centre Hall
2-12 Pandala Road
Narara NSW 2250

Information sessions for potentially affected property owners

Two information sessions for potentially affected property owners will be held on **Monday 26 May 2014 from 11am to 2pm and 4pm to 7pm** at:

Gosford/Narara Neighbourhood Centre Hall
2-12 Pandala Road
Narara NSW 2250

Roads and Maritime staff will be available to discuss potential property impacts with property owners. Roads and Maritime is contacting potentially affected property owners directly with more information on these sessions.

Comments on the preferred option are invited by **9 June 2014**.

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Visit rms.nsw.gov.au

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