The Australian and NSW governments are jointly funding the 22km Nambucca Heads to Urunga Pacific Highway upgrade. The project will deliver a four-lane divided road and is one of five major projects upgrading a 105km section between Port Macquarie and Coffs Harbour.

Peak haulage update

Peak movements to and from the quarry in Dorrigo were programmed to be carried out between October 2014 and July 2015, weather permitting.

While there was some increase in truck movements in October 2014, the project has been impacted by wet weather and changes to programming that has resulted in haulage amounts being less than planned. This means that peak movements are now likely to continue through to early 2016, weather permitting.

The graph below shows the figures that were forecast in the original Waterfall Way Action Plan (in blue), actual volume of materials moved (tonnage) between October 2014 and March 2015 (in red) and the revised forecast between April 2015 and January 2016 (green) until the end of the year.

We apologies for any inconvenience caused by this revised program.

Project facts

- Forecasts show that of the total number heavy vehicles that use the Waterfall Way on a week day during peak movements about 24 per cent will be Nambucca Heads to Urunga project related trucks.
- Of the total quarry materials required for the project 20 per cent comes from Dorrigo and therefore travels along the Waterfall Way. The remaining 80 per cent is sourced either onsite or from other quarries (north and south of the project).
- There are 37 bridge sites on the project
- More than 3.8 million cubic metres of earth will be moved on the project
- About 180,000 cubic metres of concrete pavement will be laid.
Background

Roads and Maritime, and their contractor, Lend Lease, for the Nambucca Heads to Urunga project have put in place measures to minimise impacts of haulage trucks from the project on Waterfall Way.

These measures include carrying out a road safety review along Waterfall Way, implementing an Action Plan as part of the Nambucca Heads to Urunga project, and increased surveillance by NSW Police and Roads and Maritime Heavy Vehicle Inspectors.

The Waterfall Way Action Plan shows how the project team is proactively addressing community concerns and maintaining road safety. The Plan includes fleet maintenance and inspections, a ‘shared road user policy’, monitoring of driver behaviour and a complaints management system.

All truck drivers associated with the project have been inducted into the shared road user policy and are aware of their obligations.

Community members are reminded if they have any concerns about trucks using the Waterfall Way to call the project information line on 1800 800 612 so that appropriate investigations can be carried out.

The Plan has been recently updated to reflect the current status of project and is available on the project website at www.rms.nsw.gov.au/pacific (Nambucca Heads to Urunga).

For more information

Projects on the Waterfall Way and the Waterfall Way safety review:

Visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roadprojects (search Waterfall Way), phone 02 6640 1300 or email grafton.regional.office@rms.nsw.gov.au

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