



Excavation at Green Hill, Gulmarrad using McIntyres Lane January to September 2016

The Australian and NSW governments are jointly funding the \$4.36 billion Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade. Roads and Maritime Services has engaged Pacific Complete, comprising Laing O'Rourke and WSP Parsons Brinckerhoff, to partner with the Pacific Highway Office to deliver the project.

Soft soil work forms part of the overall upgrade and is required to prepare and strengthen the area between Farlows Flat and Chatsworth Road for the new highway to be built. Golding Contractors Pty Ltd has started soft soil work, which is expected to be completed in late 2016.

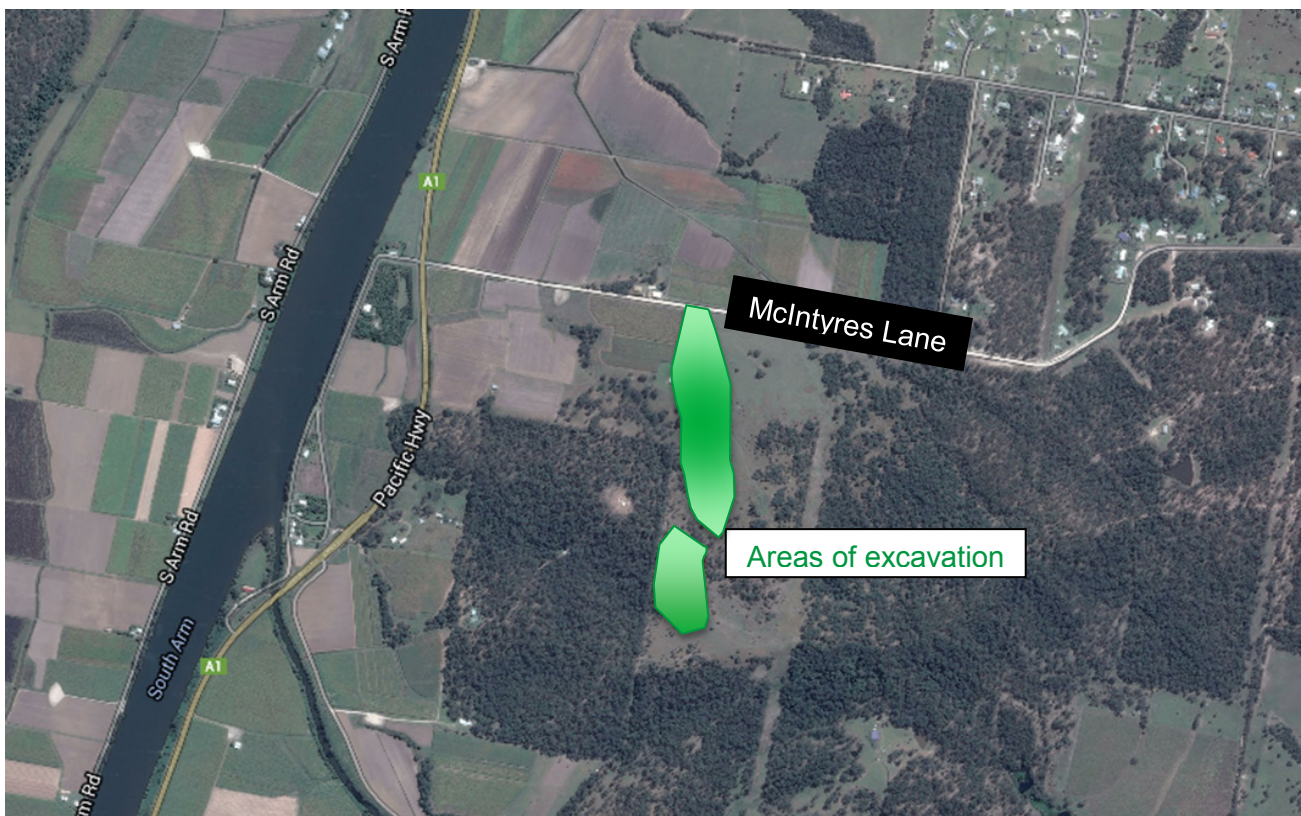
Excavating material at Green Hill, Gulmarrad

Earth will be excavated from Green Hill, Gulmarrad. Green Hill is south of McIntyres Lane and about 500 metres east of the Pacific Highway.

The excavated material will be used to build embankments near Harwood and on Chatsworth Island.

This soft soil work will not involve any blasting. Blasting may be required for a future stage of building the upgrade in this area. If it is required we have strict environmental controls related to managing noise and vibration. The blast design and modelling work to be carried out will consider the location of blasts, ground conditions and nearby residents.

We will provide detailed information if blasting is needed in this area.



Area of excavation at Green Hill, Gulmarrad

Work to prepare access to the site is expected to start in January 2016, this includes:

- Installing erosion and sediment fences and basins
- Widening sections of McIntyres Lane to improve safety for motorists
- Establishing a temporary site office.

Work to be carried out between February and September 2016 will include:

- Vegetation clearing
- Stripping and stockpiling topsoil
- Excavating material from Green Hill
- Transporting material to Harwood and Chatsworth Island using the Pacific Highway.

How will the work affect you?

Traffic changes

Starting in February 2016 there will be an increased number of trucks on McIntyres Lane travelling from the construction access gate to the Pacific Highway.

In addition to increased truck movements, during work hours you may hear noise from heavy machinery such as excavators and rollers, and trucks being loaded with material.

Traffic controllers will be in place and there will be **intermittent** lane closures on McIntyres Lane while the construction access gate is installed. All current turning movements to and from the Pacific Highway will be maintained. Improvements to the intersection will make the work zone safer for motorists, workers, cyclists and pedestrians. Thank you for your patience during this important work.

Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs. For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

Work hours

Work will be carried out from 7am to 6pm on weekdays and 8am to 5pm on Saturdays. We will notify you in advance if we need to do any work outside these times.

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