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Start of work on Woodburn to Broadwater service road to reduce traffic impacts

The Australian and NSW governments are jointly funding the \$4.36 billion Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade. Roads and Maritime Services Pacific Highway Office and Pacific Complete are working together to deliver the project.

The Woolgoolga to Ballina project team is building a service road next to the existing highway on a 3.5 kilometre section between Woodburn and Broadwater through the Broadwater National Park. Work to build the service road will be carried out from February 2017 to January 2018, weather permitting.

Motorists will use the service road while the existing highway is being upgraded. This will minimise the impact of our work and improve safety for motorists and workers. Work on the existing highway is expected to start in 2018 and it will be open to traffic by 2020.

Work to be carried out

Early work for the service road will include:

- carrying out temporary intersection changes at the northern and southern ends of the construction area
- surveying and flagging the area for the service road
- carrying out ecological inspections
- installing environmental controls, dust gauges and nest boxes
- clearing vegetation
- relocating Telstra, power and water main utilities
- installing boundary fencing, a site access gate and traffic barriers
- removing topsoil and stockpiling it for reuse in landscaping
- removing two houses and associated structures
- removing the northbound overtaking lane on the existing Pacific Highway between Montis Trail and Rileys Hill Trail and shortening the southbound overtaking lane.

To build the service road, our work will include:

- processing, stockpiling and disposing of cleared materials
 - placing foundation layers of rock and earthfill
 - installing drainage and pavement
 - hauling and placing fill material for road foundations and embankments
 - building a bridge and large culverts as fauna passages
 - restoring and revegetating all disturbed areas
 - installing line marking and signage.
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How will the work affect you?

We will try to minimise impact on residents and motorists during this work. Access to residents' properties will be maintained and traffic control will be in place where required.

As a result of this work you may notice some changes around the local area including an increase in:

- vehicle and truck movement on local roads and the existing Pacific Highway
- the number of site and contractor vehicles.

Upcoming traffic changes

An 80 kilometre/hour speed limit will apply on the existing Pacific Highway next to the work area. For the safety of road users and workers and to maintain traffic flow, we will be working under traffic control along the Pacific Highway. Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs.

For the latest traffic updates please call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic app. We apologise for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience during this important work.

Construction area

All work will be carried out in line with the project's management plans. We have provided a map to show the construction area.

Work hours

Typically work will be carried out from Monday to Friday between 7am and 6pm. We will also work on Saturday between 8am to 5pm, if required. In areas where residents live more than 200 metres from the work area, extended work hours from 6am to 7pm weekdays are allowed. Nearby residents will be notified at least five working days in advance of any activities scheduled outside of these working hours.

For more information

If you have any questions, please call the Woolgoolga to Ballina project toll free line on 1800 778 900 dial 1, email W2B@pacificcomplete.com.au or visit the project website rms.nsw.gov.au/W2B.



If you need help understanding this information, please contact the Translating and Interpreting Service on 131 450 and ask them to call us on 1800 778 900.

Map of construction area

