



Transport for NSW

Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade Wells Crossing to Glenugie - Project update



Transport for NSW (TfNSW) has engaged Lendlease to build the eight kilometre upgrade of the Pacific Highway between Wells Crossing and Glenugie.

This section forms part of the ultimate Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade project, with open to traffic planned for late 2020, weather permitting.

Lendlease carried out the early work activities on the project and have now been awarded the contract for major construction which started in February 2020.

The project involves building northbound lanes from Wells Crossing to about three kilometres north of Franklins Road.

The upgrade will provide improved road user safety, including safer access for local residents into their properties on the existing Pacific Highway.

Design refinements

TfNSW has refined the intersection design at Parker, Bald Knob and Franklins roads. The design refinements, which improve road user safety, have been carefully considered following review of other intersections in the area where a direct right turn in arrangement has been provided, such as Kungala Road.

The design refinements include:

Parker Road access road

Direct right turn movement into the Parker Road access road (which is located approximately 600 metres to the north of Parker Road) has been removed. Right turn access into the access road will be via a u-turn facility located approximately 200 metres to the south.

A cattle grid will be installed on the new Parker Road access road. The fauna fences will be connected to the cattle grid, preventing wild horses and fauna from accessing the highway.

Bald Knob Road

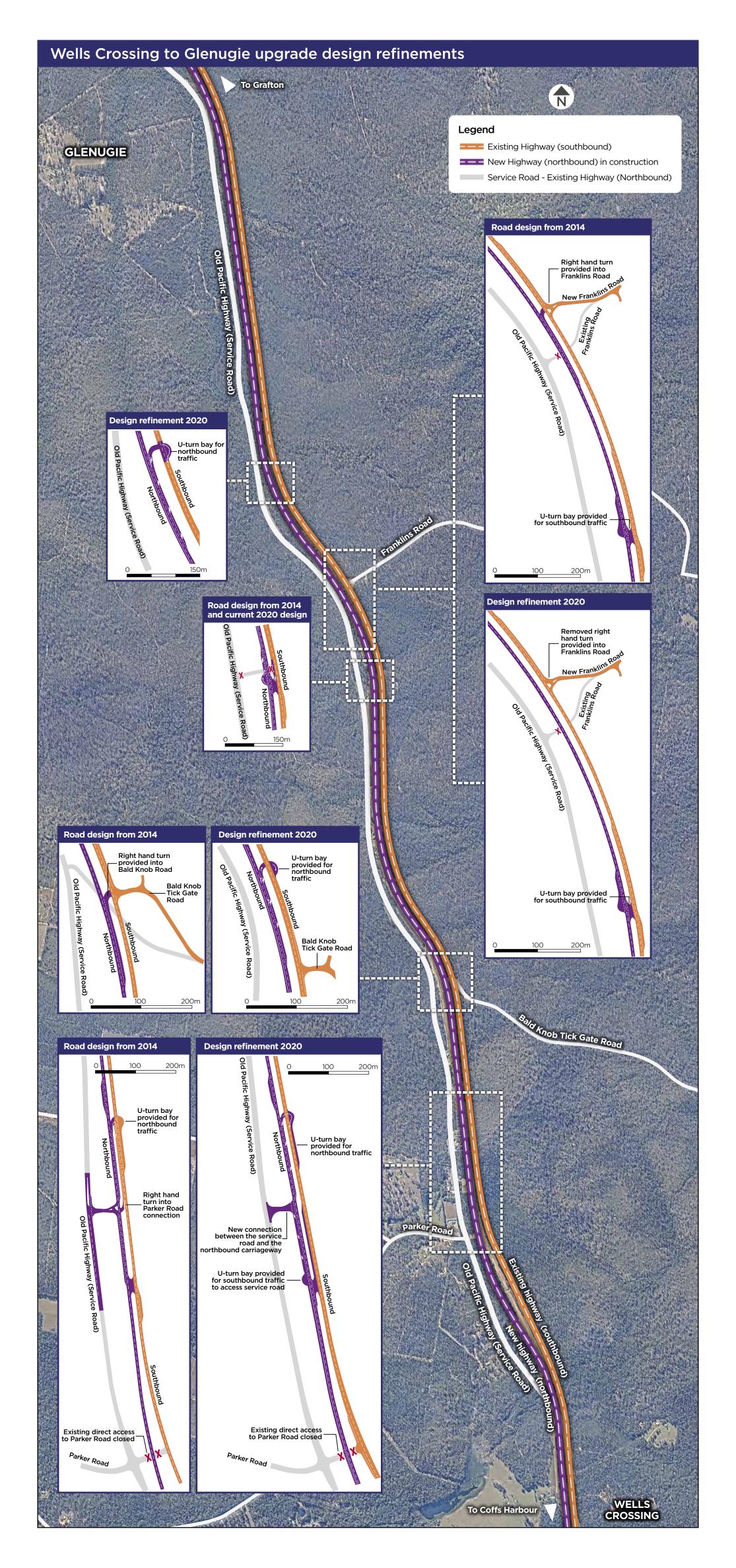
Direct right turn movement into Bald Knob Road has been removed. Right turn access into Bald Knob Road will be via a u-turn facility located approximately 200 metres to the north.

Franklins Road

Direct right turn movement into Franklins Road has been removed. Right turn access into Franklins Road will be via a u-turn facility located approximately 750 metres to the north.



Road work south of Franklins Road



What happens next?

Construction will continue until opening to traffic in late 2020, weather permitting. If you have any questions or would like to provide feedback on the intersection refinements, please contact the project team directly.

Temporary traffic arrangements will be in place during construction. The first of these temporary arrangements will be the closure of the southbound u-turn bay currently servicing Franklins Road until construction of the new northbound road is complete.

The community will be notified of future temporary traffic arrangements as construction staging is finalised.

TfNSW will be working with directly affected residents and local bus services to refine access arrangements during construction.

Work hours

Normal construction hours for the project are 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 5pm on Saturday.



Earthworks north of Franklins Road



U-turn facilities provided to access side roads



Fauna fences will prevent fauna and wild horses accessing highway



Design improvements to improve road user safety

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