



## Upgrading the Pacific Highway Cooperook to Herons Creek (incorporating Cooperook to Moorland and Moorland to Herons Creek projects)

### Progress update August to October 2008

The NSW Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) has formed an alliance team with Thiess Pty Ltd and Parsons Brinckerhoff Australia Pty Ltd to design and construct a 33 km dual carriageway upgrade of the Pacific Highway from Cooperook to Herons Creek.

#### Construction works

- Relocating utilities including power and phone.
- Installation and maintenance of environmental controls.
- Bulk earthworks along the project.
- Controlled blasting in areas north of Johns River and near Kew.
- Establishment of concrete batch plants at Johns River, Forest Road, Stoney Creek and south of Herons Creek.
- Bridge works and culvert construction throughout the project including pile driving for Stewarts River, Camden Haven River, Forest Road interchange and Herons Creek bridges.
- Removal of the existing piers from the old bridge in the Camden Haven River.
- The Ross Glen southbound rest area will close.

#### Temporary traffic deviations

Temporary traffic deviations scheduled to occur include:

- The Pacific Highway near Hannam Vale Road from August.
- Stewarts River Road at Johns River from September.
- Ocean Drive at Kew, east of the Pacific Highway from September.
- The Pacific Highway near Haydons Road, Ross Glen from October.

#### Changes to traffic conditions

A 80 km/hr speed limit now applies across the length of the project. This will be reviewed as construction proceeds. Speed limits in construction areas may be further reduced during working hours. Please obey the signs to ensure worker and driver safety. The RTA apologises for any inconvenience caused and appreciates the patience of residents and motorists.

#### Design refinements

As part of the detailed design for the project a number of refinements to the alignment have been made. These include:

- Retention of approximately 4.5 km of the existing pavement at various locations.
- Removal of the northbound and southbound rest areas at Ross Glen.
- Minor realignment of Stewarts River Road.

A copy of the environmental assessment and consistency approval for the refinements are available on the project website (see details below).

#### Construction hours

Construction occurs Monday to Friday from 6am to 6pm and Saturday from 7am to 4pm. Nearby residents will be advised of any construction work occurring outside normal working hours. During construction every practical measure is undertaken to minimise impacts on nearby residents and the environment.

For further information contact 1800 353 670 (toll free), visit the website [www.rta.nsw.gov.au/pacific](http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au/pacific) (click on Cooperook to Herons Creek) or the community display centre at the project office in Wharf Road, Johns River open Monday to Friday (from 9am to 5pm).

