Out of hours work on the Great Western Highway safety upgrade from Hartley Valley to Forty Bends

The Australian and NSW governments are undertaking a $250 million upgrade package on the Great Western Highway between Katoomba and Lithgow to improve traffic flow, safety and travel conditions.

Roads and Maritime Services continues to deliver this important upgrade of 14 kilometres of the Great Western Highway from Hartley Valley to Forty Bends.

Our standard construction hours are 7am to 6pm, Mondays to Fridays and 8am to 1pm, Saturdays.

Recent unfavourable weather conditions have delayed some sections of the project. To progress the safety upgrade, maintain safety measures and to lessen impacts on road users, some out of hours work is required including Saturday and night work.

All work outside of our standard construction hours will be carried out in accordance with the relevant approvals and residents and businesses will be notified in advance of any out of hours work being done.

Upcoming out of hours work

Roads and Maritime will carry out asphalting through River Lett Hill. There will be 21 night shifts from Thursday 1 September to Monday 31 October, weather permitting. Our working hours will be 6pm to 6am, Sundays to Fridays. The work will involve:

- Installing traffic controls including temporary lighting towers
- Removing old road surfaces
- Asphalting and line marking.

Roads and Maritime will carry out earthwork and concreting in Forty Bends and Hartley Valley (River Lett to Carol Drive) from Thursday 1 September to Monday 31 October, weather permitting. Our working hours will be 7am to 6pm, Saturdays. The work will involve:

- Installing drainage
- Carrying out general earthwork
- Laying the new concrete road surface
- Installing signage, safety barriers and road markers
- Carrying out permanent revegetation and landscaping.

Roads and Maritime will carry out concrete saw cutting in Forty Bends. There will be 16 night shifts from Thursday 1 September to Monday 31 October, weather permitting. Our working hours will be 6pm to 6am, Mondays to Saturdays. The work will involve:

- Installing temporary lighting towers
- Carrying out saw cutting and finishing the new concrete road surface.
The placement of the final layer of the road surface through Hartley Valley was postponed due to temperatures being too low to lay asphalt. Work to place the final layer of the asphalt road surface between the Hartley Cemetery and Mount Victoria, and River Lett to Jenolan Caves Road, will resume from late September to Monday 31 October and will be carried out at night, weather permitting.

We will notify you in advance before the night work starts once we have confirmed the warmer temperatures are suitable to lay the asphalt.

We have included a map to show where the work will take place.

How will the work affect you?
There will be noise and light associated with the work but every effort will be made to minimise its impact including:

- Noisier work will be completed earlier in the evening where possible
- Work will be organised to allow opportunities for respite.

Traffic changes
Temporary traffic changes will be in place to ensure the work zone is safe for road workers and motorists. Lane closures will be in place and may affect travel times. 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.

Contact
If you have any questions, please call our project team on 1800 035 733 or email hv2fbupgrade@rms.gov.au. For more information on our projects, visit rms.nsw.gov.au.

Thank you for your patience during this important work.