

Submissions report available

The NSW and Australian governments have each committed \$51.9 million for the upgrade of Tourle Street and Cormorant Road at Kooragang. The upgrade involves duplicating 3.8 kilometres of the road and building a new two lane bridge to improve traffic flow and cater for future traffic growth.

The upgrade of Tourle Street and Cormorant Road at Kooragang will improve traffic flow and cater for the forecast increase in traffic movements due to future urban development in Port Stephens, the expansion of Newcastle Airport and growth of industrial development on Kooragang Island.

A review of environmental factors (REF) was carried out to assess the potential impacts of the proposal and identify mitigation activities. The REF was placed on display for community comment from Monday 8 September to Sunday 5 October 2014. Roads and Maritime would like to thank everyone who took the time to review the document and provide feedback.

Community feedback

A total of eight submissions were received with the main issues relating to design refinements, ongoing consultation and construction management.

Roads and Maritime has published a submissions report summarising the comments, responses and details of the decision. A copy of this report can be viewed or downloaded from the Roads and Maritime website at rms.nsw.gov.au/roadprojects and follow the links to Hunter road projects.

Next steps

The REF was finalised in December 2014. The contract to complete the detailed design has been awarded and detailed design is expected to be completed in mid 2015.

Roads and Maritime will continue to inform the community and stakeholders as the project progresses.

Should you have any questions about the project please contact the project team on (02) 4924 0449 during business hours or via email to Christopher.Sutherland@rms.nsw.gov.au.