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Photo: Mayor Col Murray, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads Paul Toole and Kevin Anderson inspect Werris Creek Road

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WORK STARTING TO UPGRADE WERRIS CREEK

Work is set to start next week on the promised upgrade of Werris Creek Road, delivering safer and more efficient journeys between Tamworth and Quirindi.

Minister for Regional Transport and Roads Paul Toole said the NSW Government is delivering on its \$10 million election commitment to upgrade Werris Creek Road from Tamworth to Duri.

“We committed that we would upgrade this key road to ensure that everyone who drives along it could do so safely, we delivered the funding and now construction is getting under way,” Mr Toole said.

“This \$10 million project involves rebuilding a 17 kilometre section of road, including improving the surface and road shoulders and enhancing line marking, which will dramatically improve safety and smoothness along a key corridor for the community.

“These are the kind of projects that make a huge difference to a local community and are helping us build a stronger, safer road network in the bush.”

Member for Tamworth Kevin Anderson said shovels would hit the ground in the next week.

“The community has been pushing for this upgrade for some time. This road is full of tight bends and bumps and, as a major freight route, is outright dangerous.” Mr Anderson said.

“We know what these kind of upgrades mean for the local community and I’m excited we’ve been able to make it a reality.

“This road is part of our towards zero road safety push for 2026. The quicker we make these regional roads safe to travel on, the less likely we are to see accidents and deaths on the road.

“Coming at this critical time, the funding for this project will also help support 10 local jobs and generate income for local suppliers, which is a big win for the community.”



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Work will be carried out from 7am to 5pm on weekdays, with some Saturday work as required, and is expected to be completed by June 2022.

Tamworth Region Mayor Col Murray said work starting on this important link is great news for the community.

“The community can be assured we will continue to move forward with the projects that make a real difference to the everyday lives of locals,” Cr Murray said.

Tamworth Regional Council will carry out the work from Tuesday 20 April on behalf of Transport for NSW.

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