



Transport for NSW

Garfield Road East and West upgrades

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Review of Environmental Factors
November 2020



Traffic along Garfield Road East

The NSW Government has proposed a road network to support the forecast growth in the North West Growth Area. Once fully developed, the area will be home to around 250,000 people.

Riverstone is an integral part of the North West Growth Area with Garfield Road already a busy state road catering to thousands of vehicles each day. The expected increase in population and development in the area will mean significantly more traffic on the roads.

Review of Environmental Factors

As part of the planning to upgrade Garfield Road, Transport for NSW has prepared environmental assessments for Garfield Road East and Garfield Road West. Known as the Review of Environmental Factors (REF), these are available for public comment until **27 November 2020**.

The REF documents for both Garfield Road East and Garfield Road West examine potential impacts of the proposed road upgrades, and how Transport will manage these impacts to the community and surrounding environment.

Since the commencement of concept design, sections of Garfield Road have been adjusted and realigned to minimise impacts to the community and surrounding environment. Transport has worked with stakeholders to reduce impacts on Aboriginal land, heritage items and environmentally sensitive areas, while maintaining a safer and more efficient road upgrade.

Design improvements include new bridges through flood prone land, new intersections, pedestrian/cycling crossing points and an overall improvement in access along the road for pedestrians and users of public transport.

Potential impacts listed below are discussed in detail in the REF:

Traffic

The upgrade will result in a more efficient flow of traffic due to a reduction of intersecting local roads, and to the overall widening of the road.

Noise

Noise mitigation measures in the form of noise walls are being assessed at two key locations to reduce noise impacts to residents.

Flooding

The upgrade of existing drainage will improve drainage and allow the road to be used in severe flood conditions. The road will become a flood evacuation route, with sections of Garfield Road East able to be used in a 1 in 500 storm event.

Parking

The upgrade of Garfield Road may impact some businesses due to loss of parking. Where this occurs, Transport will investigate other opportunities for parking as part of detailed design, following REF determination.

Landscaping

Replacement vegetation including trees due to the widening of the Garfield Road corridor, will be developed in consultation with key stakeholders including Blacktown City Council and The Hills Shire Council.

To view the REF online, please visit our website at nswroads.work/garfieldrd

Property Acquisition

As the project progresses, there will be a need for Transport to acquire some properties along Garfield Road. This would include both full and partial acquisitions.

Transport for NSW has already directly contacted potentially affected property owners and will continue to be in contact as the project progresses.

More information about the property acquisition process is available at www.propertyacquisition.nsw.gov.au

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In response to the evolving Coronavirus situation, Transport is following NSW Health advice and changing the way it approaches community consultation for important transport infrastructure projects.

It is important for the community to have their say on all transport infrastructure projects.

This means consultation will be carried out in different ways to ensure the community can practice social distancing and limit the spread of Coronavirus.

Overview

The Garfield Road corridor is about 7.4 kilometres long. For future planning, Transport has split the corridor into three sections:

- Garfield Road East extends about 3.4 kilometres between Windsor Road, Box Hill and Piccadilly Street, Riverstone.
- Garfield Road central covers about 800 metres between Piccadilly Street and Denmark Road, Riverstone
- Garfield Road West extends about 3.2 kilometres between Denmark Road, Riverstone and Richmond Road, Marsden Park.

These projects would support existing and future development in the surrounding area and assist in meeting the need of the future traffic demand that would be generated by existing and future developments.

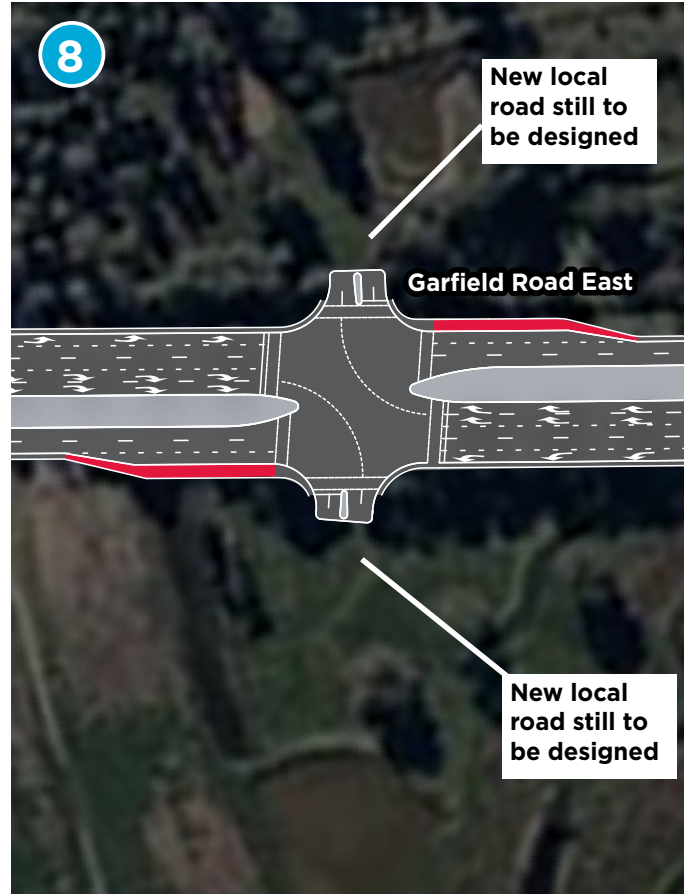
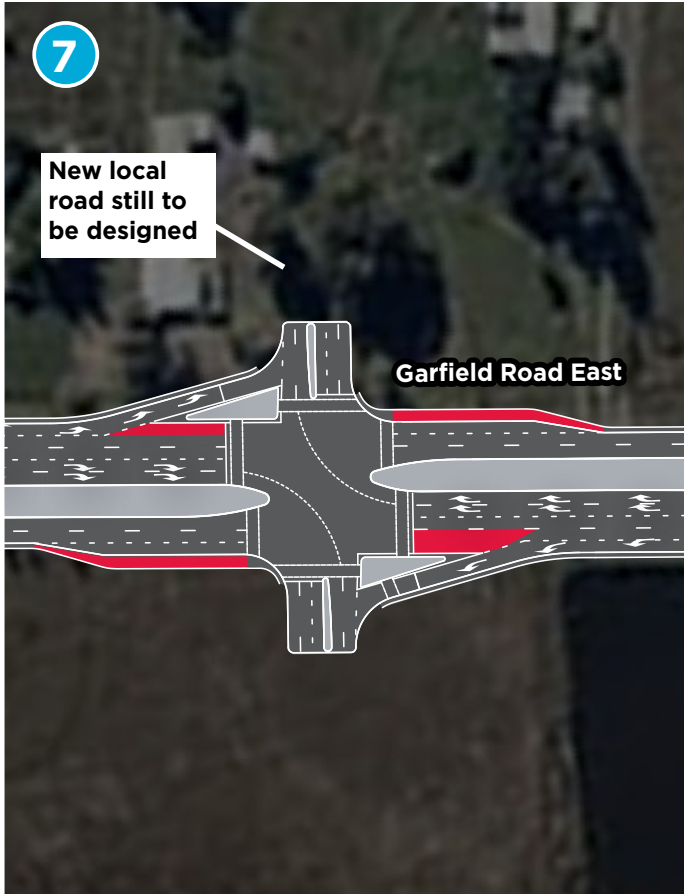
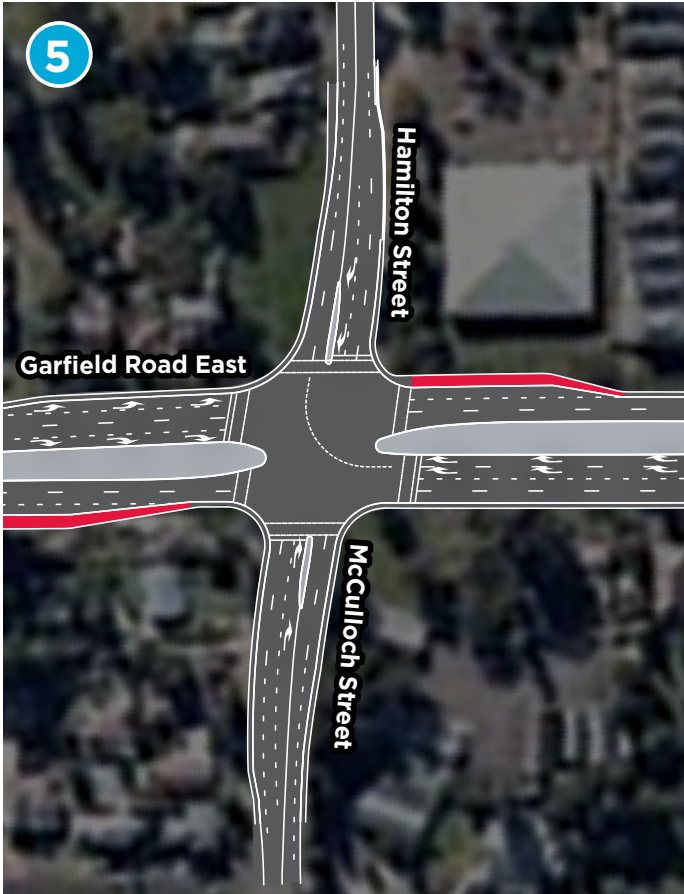
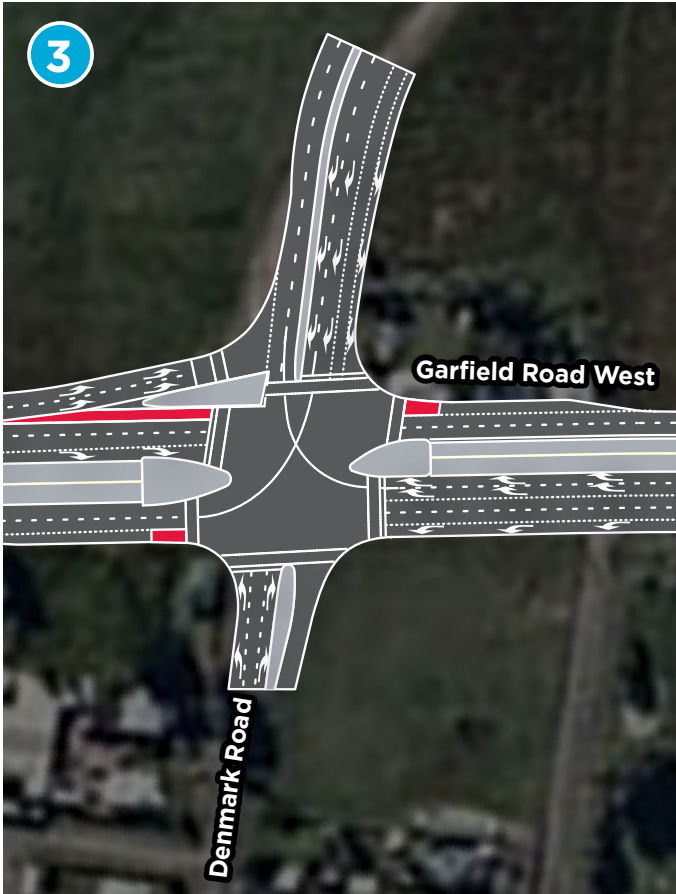
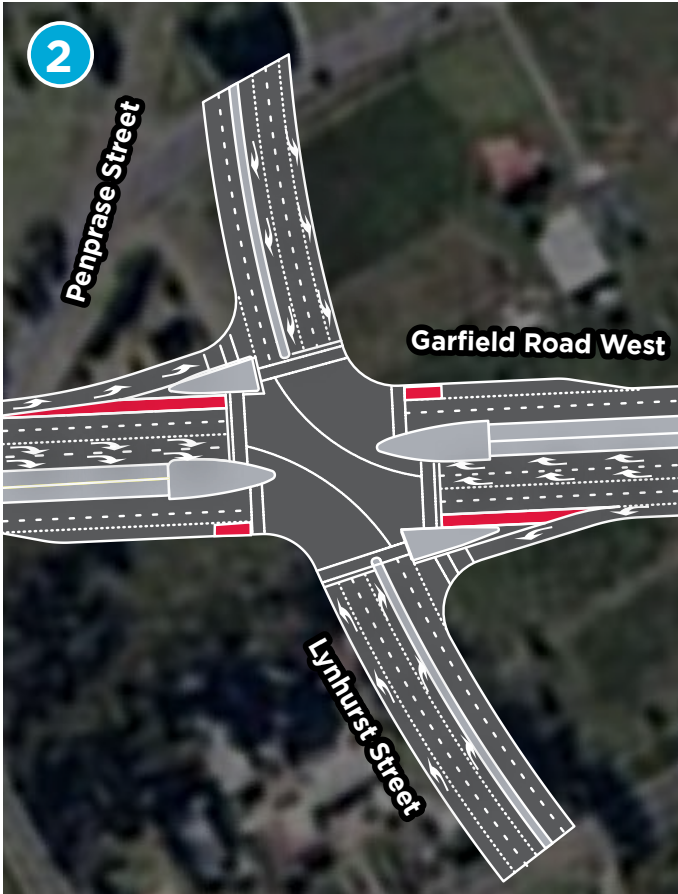
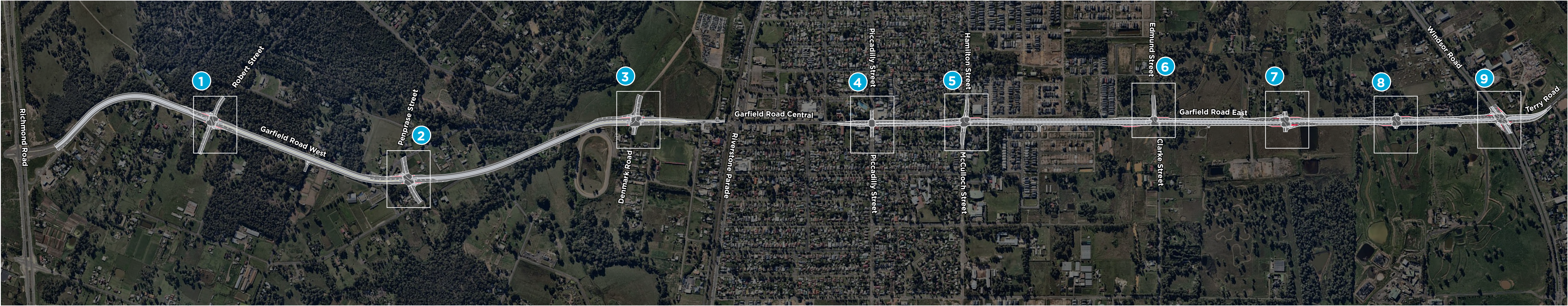
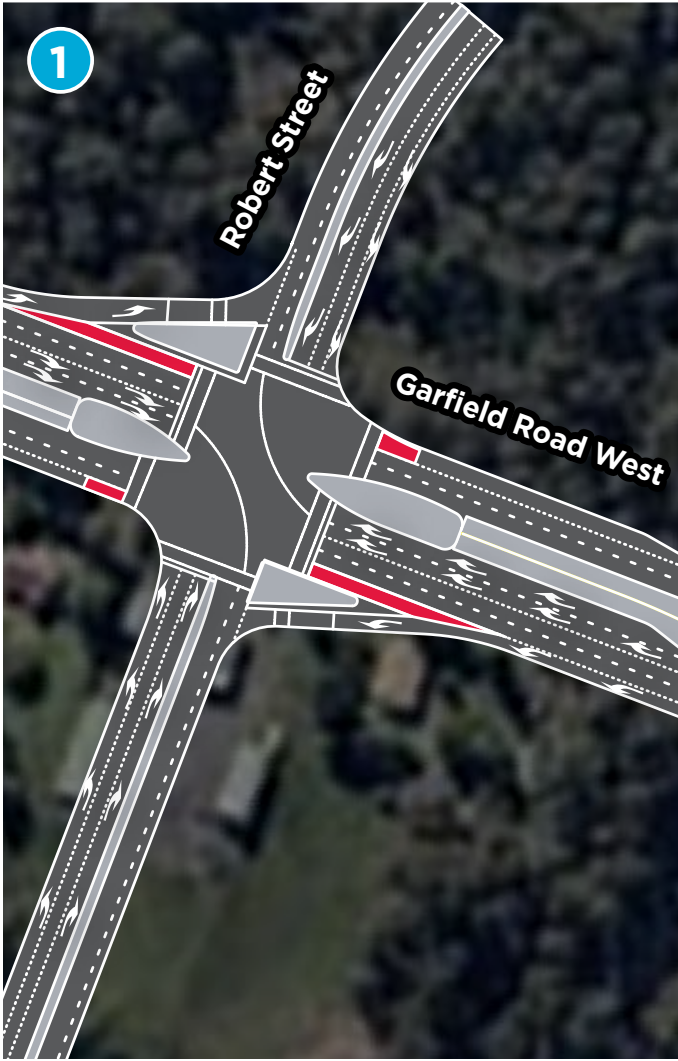
Benefits of both upgrades include:

- Improving road capacity to meet future traffic growth
- Supporting residential and employment growth
- Improving freight productivity
- Improving road safety
- Improving connectivity between Richmond Road and Windsor Road.

Key features of both upgrades include:

- Upgrading the existing two lane road to a four lane divided road, with capacity to widen to six lanes in future
- Improving flood resilience
- Upgrading and realigning the existing road to improve road safety
- Providing a new bridge over First Ponds Creek (Garfield Road East) and Eastern Creek (Garfield Road West)
- New traffic signals at Hamilton Road/ McCulloch Street and Edmund Street (Garfield Road East) and Denmark Road, Penprase Street/Lynhurst Street and Roberts Street (Garfield Road West)
- Providing facilities for pedestrians and cyclists
- Providing bus priority at the new intersections.

Garfield Road upgrades



Online Community Consultation

To ensure the health and safety of the community and our staff we will replace face to face community information sessions with an online information session on the NSW Roads Facebook page at facebook.com/NSWRoads on **Tuesday 10 November 2020** from **4pm to 4:30pm**.

During the session you can find out more about the REF from the project team and ask questions about the project. If you are not able to join the live session or would like to submit your questions in advance, please email the team at nwgc@transport.nsw.gov.au or call us on **1300 367 561**.

We welcome all your feedback on the REF by **Friday 27 November 2020**.

Garfield Road West – consultation update

During August 2020 we consulted with the community on the proposed alignment of Garfield Road West, and we thank everyone who submitted feedback on the project. All submissions were considered and where possible have been factored into the concept design and the REF.

North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy – Where are we up to?

Garfield Road central

The NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment has granted Special Infrastructure Contribution (SIC) funding for Transport to continue the planning for Garfield Road central (between Denmark Road and Piccadilly Street, Riverstone).

Richmond Road upgrade

The Richmond Road upgrade Marsden Park is progressing with design and environmental impact assessment. We are currently seeking feedback on this project and the REF which is on display until **Friday 27 November 2020**. More information can be found at nswroads.work/richmondrd

Townson-Burdekin Road upgrade

The Townson-Burdekin Road Link is progressing with the concept design and environmental impact assessment. The REF for Stage 1 is expected to be completed and placed on public display in the coming months. More information can be found at nswroads.work/townson-burdekinrd

Bandon Road

The Bandon Road corridor between Richmond Road, Marsden Park and Windsor Road, Vineyard has been finalised as part of the North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy. More information can be found at nswroads.work/bandonrd

Denmark Link Road

Denmark Link Road is a proposed new local road linking Garfield Road West, Riverstone and the Westminster Street Bridge, Schofields. This new link road would provide an alternative route for light vehicles crossing the rail line and reduce delays on Garfield Road West near the Riverstone level crossing. The REF is expected to be completed and placed on public display before the end of the year. Construction of the Garfield Road West and Denmark Road intersection will be delivered in stages. Denmark Link Road project will have a right turn bay at this intersection (Stage 1). More information can be found at nswroads.work/denmarkrd

Schofields Road

The upgrade of Schofields Road between Windsor Road, Rouse Hill and Richmond Road, Marsden Park has been completed and opened to traffic on 28 June 2018.

For further information about these projects please visit nswroads.work/NWGA



What are the next steps?

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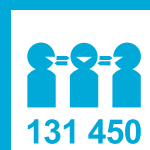
If you have any questions or would like more information on the Garfield Road East or Garfield Road West upgrades please contact our project team:

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*Detailed design and construction subject to funding

What happens next?

At the end of the REF display period, a submissions report which summarises comments or questions received for each project, and our responses, will be published on the Transport for NSW website.

If you make a submission, you will receive an email or letter advising of any changes to the proposal as a result of feedback. A community update will also be distributed to advise the availability of the submissions report.

We will keep community members and other stakeholders informed of progress throughout delivery of the projects. You can access information on the individual projects through the Transport for NSW website, community newsletters and the project phone number and email provided below.



Interactive portal

Check out our interactive portal at www.rms.nsw.gov/nwgc to find out more about the North West Growth Centre Road Network Strategy and submit any questions or comments you have.



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