



Newell Highway realignment near Tomingley

Tomingley Gold Operations proposes to construct a new section of the Newell Highway south of Tomingley village to bypass prospective gold mining operations.

Project overview

Gold producer Tomingley Gold Operations (TGO) is seeking government approval to extend open cut mining operations to incorporate two gold deposits south of the current mine near Tomingley village.

Since these deposits are underneath the current Newell Highway, TGO proposes to construct a new section of highway to bypass the development. This project is being undertaken in close consultation with Transport for NSW.



New 8.3km section to meet highest Austroads freight standards



Road safety features



Low impact to road users during construction (estimated from mid-2022)



Stakeholder and community consultation in progress



For added safety, wire rope lane dividers will be used in parts of the new section of highway



What's changing?

The realigned section of highway will be constructed according to the latest Austroads freight design guidelines and safety standards. The length of the new section will be 8.2km, adding 399m to the length of the highway. Existing overtaking lanes and intersections will be improved and reconstructed on the new section.

The new section of road will have the following **safety improvements**:

- flood management through flood study and additional culverts
- wire rope lane dividers (also resulting in overall increased road width)
- no billboards
- removal of five property driveways

Once the realigned roads are completed, there will be some changed **travel times and distances**:

- Tomingley to Peak Hill – additional approximately 410m and 13s travel time
- Thornycroft Road to Tomingley – reduced by 60m and 2s travel time; and
- Thornycroft Road to Peak Hill – additional 1.67km and 59s travel time.

Importantly for road users, the design will ensure there'll be no need to close the highway during routine blasting operations, once mining gets underway.



How will you be impacted by construction?

Tomingley Gold Operations (TGO) will undertake construction of the road on its privately owned land, clearly separated from the existing highway, with little impact to road users.

When will construction start?

Construction will not start until TGO has all approvals in place for the development to proceed. This is estimated to be in mid 2021.

Stakeholder and community consultation

Consultations with road user groups and the community regarding this project are in progress.

Got more questions?

To make enquiries about the road realignment required for the Tomingley Gold Extension Project, please contact Mike Sutherland via msutherland@alkane.com.au or (02) 6882 2866.

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