The NSW Government is funding a $2.5 million upgrade of Manilla Road (Peel Street) between Tribe and Jewry streets, North Tamworth. The project, which has been designed to improve safety and relieve traffic congestion, is the next stage of upgrading Manilla Road.

Roads and Maritime Services has engaged Tamworth Regional Council to deliver this important project, which will involve:

- Building a left turn slip lane out of Tribe Street for traffic entering Manilla Road
- Extending the right turn lane from Manilla Road into Tribe Street to accommodate peak hour traffic demand
- Duplicating the southbound lane on Manilla Road between Tribe and Jewry streets.

This project is being funded from the Traffic Efficiency Improvements program.

Work will start on 26 September 2016 and is expected to be finished in March 2017, weather permitting.

**Upcoming work**

Work scheduled over the next three months will include:

- Drainage widening between Tribe and Marius streets, which will include the use of excavators and trucks

**Project benefits**

The key benefits of the project to the community will be:

- Improved traffic efficiency
- More reliable travel times
- Improved traffic capacity
- Improved pedestrian access
- Reduced traffic congestion with new turning lanes.

- Building the slip lane out of Tribe Street, which will involve the use of graders, rollers and trucks.

We apologise for the inconvenience and thank motorists for their patience during this work.

**Work hours**

Most of the work will be carried out during general working hours – 7am to 6pm Mondays to Fridays.
and Saturdays from 8am to 5pm, weather permitting.

Some night work may be required during the project. During any night work we will make every effort to minimise noise.

We will notify all affected residents well in advance of any night work being carried out.

**Temporary traffic changes**

Delays are expected due to changed traffic conditions. Please follow the direction of traffic controllers, follow traffic signs and stick to reduced speed limits.

Traffic control will be in place and speed limits will be reduced to 40km/h in the work area.

We will attempt to keep two lanes of traffic open at all times during the project.

We will display up to date information, including any date changes and detours on electronic message signs along Manilla Road.

**For more information**

If you would like to register for regular updates about the project or for more information, please contact us by:

**Phone:** 6767 5555 or 1300 733 625 (within Tamworth region) during office hours

**Email:** manillaroadupgrade@tamworth.nsw.gov.au

More information is also available at Tamworth Regional Council website: [www.tamworth.nsw.gov.au](http://www.tamworth.nsw.gov.au)

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Left: Current view looking south towards Tamworth. The upgrade will include extension of the right turn lane into Tribe Street and the duplication of the southbound lane.

Above left: Current view looking north towards Manilla. The upgrade will include extending the right turn lane and duplicating the southbound lane.

Above: Current view of the Tribe Street intersection. The upgrade will include building a left turn lane out of Tribe Street onto Manilla Road (Peel Street).