

TRURO BYPASS CONSULTATION

Project Fact Sheet

BACKGROUND

The Australian and South Australian governments have committed \$202 million (80:20) towards the design and construction of a bypass for the Sturt Highway at Truro.

As an important freight route, demand for the Sturt Highway to cater for larger freight vehicles is increasing. To improve safety and amenity in Truro's main street, as well as freight efficiency, the Truro Bypass will allow heavy traffic to travel along a new Sturt Highway alignment away from the centre of the Truro township.

Between February and April 2022, we engaged on the refined alignment for the Truro Bypass. This followed engagement on an indicative alignment in late 2021.

During the recent engagement period we:

- met with potentially impacted landowners and lessees to receive feedback on the refined alignment and to discuss access to their land for on-ground survey works;
- met with the Truro Progress Association to receive feedback on the refined alignment;
- presented to the Mid Murray Council to ensure Elected Members were kept up to date with this important project;
- invited key transport stakeholders to provide feedback on the refined alignment, including the RAA, South Australian Road Transport Association and the South Australian Freight Council; and
- received feedback via phone, email and website feedback forms from the Truro and Dutton communities.

WHAT WE HEARD

Thank you to everyone who has provided feedback about the project.

The majority of feedback received was supportive of the refined alignment for the Truro Bypass.

There continues to be strong support for duplicating the bypass to meet future demand.

Reducing noise and visual impact on houses was a key priority.

We received local information from the community about access, infrastructure and geography to help inform the design.

Feedback highlighted that duplication of the bypass would allow for safer stock and machinery crossing movements.

The importance of maintaining safe access to and along the bypass was reinforced.

PREFERRED ALIGNMENT

As a result of community feedback received to date and detailed investigation works, a number of improvements have been incorporated into the preferred alignment.

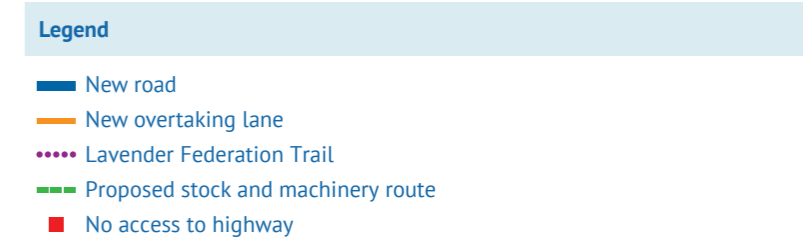
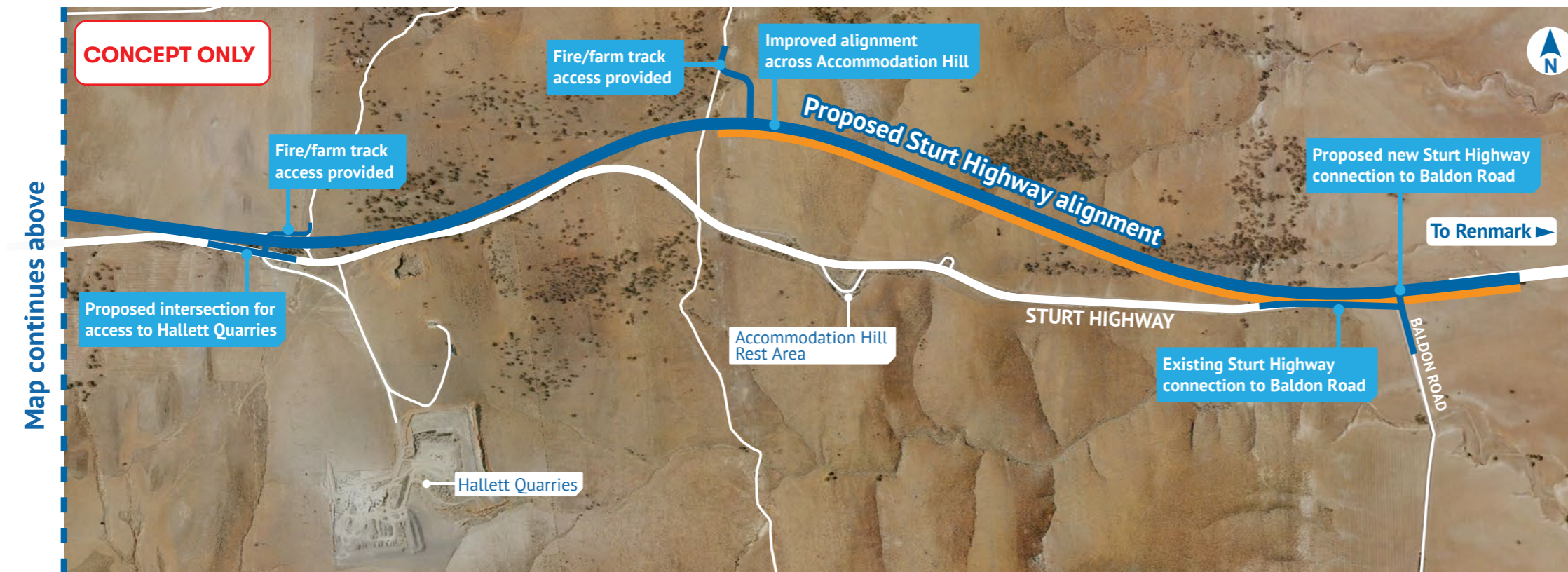
The preferred alignment has maintained existing access arrangements where practically possible, noting that fewer crossing points along the bypass increases safety and efficiency.

This alignment is now planned to be the final alignment for the project, however we continue to work with community and stakeholders to progress the detailed design.

The updated preferred alignment includes the following improvements:

- shifting the alignment closer to the existing Sturt Highway near the quarry;
- three new overtaking lanes (two westbound and one eastbound);
- maintaining connection with the Lavender Federation Trail for pedestrian access; and
- maintaining access where practically possible along the existing Sturt Highway for safe agricultural and machinery movements.

Sturt Highway: Truro Bypass - Preferred alignment



WHAT'S NEXT?

The detailed design process will progress throughout 2022 and 2023.

We will continue to work closely with impacted landowners/lessees to ensure access and farming activities are accommodated as much as practically possible.

As the project progresses, investigation activities will continue to enable the design work to progress.

Works for the Truro Bypass are expected to commence in 2023, and be completed in 2025, weather permitting.

The scope of the Truro Bypass Project unlocks opportunities to enhance the township of Truro. We have heard from the community that they are keen to see future investment in enhancing the prosperity of the town.

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport will continue to work with the Mid Murray Council and the community to consider suggestions raised through consultation to ensure that enhancements meet the needs of the town, its residents and businesses.

In addition to this project the Australian and South Australian governments have committed \$87.5 million (80:20) to upgrade the Sturt Highway, between Renmark and Gawler, as part of the Roads of Strategic Importance (ROSI) program. This will include:

- **road rehabilitation** works including **shoulder sealing, resurfacing** and upgraded **barriers**;
- additional **overtaking lanes**;
- improved and additional **rest areas**;
- safety enhancements at **key junctions** of the Sturt Highway; and
- a **widened** section of Highway near the Renmark caravan park to allow for movement of larger trucks.

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HAVE YOUR SAY

It is important to us that you are well informed about this project and have the opportunity to speak with our project team and provide any feedback that you have.

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