

INFORMATION UPDATE

Koo Wee Rup Bypass

Healesville-Koo Wee Rup Road to South Gippsland Highway

Introduction

The Koo Wee Rup Bypass is a \$66 million State Government funded project to provide a new 3.4 km two lane arterial road link between Healesville-Koo Wee Rup Road and the South Gippsland Highway.

The Bypass will redirect trucks and other through traffic away from the Koo Wee Rup town centre and will improve traffic flow and safety, particularly during holiday periods.

Current progress

In August 2013, VicRoads awarded the construction contract for the Koo Wee Rup Bypass to Abigroup Contractors. Abigroup is doing pre-construction and preparation work, including the detailed design of the bypass, planting of bandicoot habitat and fencing with the aim to start major construction later in 2013. Construction is expected to finish by the end of 2015.

Some design refinements have allowed the north access into Koo Wee Rup to be linked to a new roundabout at Manks Road. The roundabout will make it easier and safer for people accessing Koo Wee Rup and using Manks Road. The original plan had proposed a signalised T-intersection further south to link the bypass with Healesville-Koo Wee Rup Road.

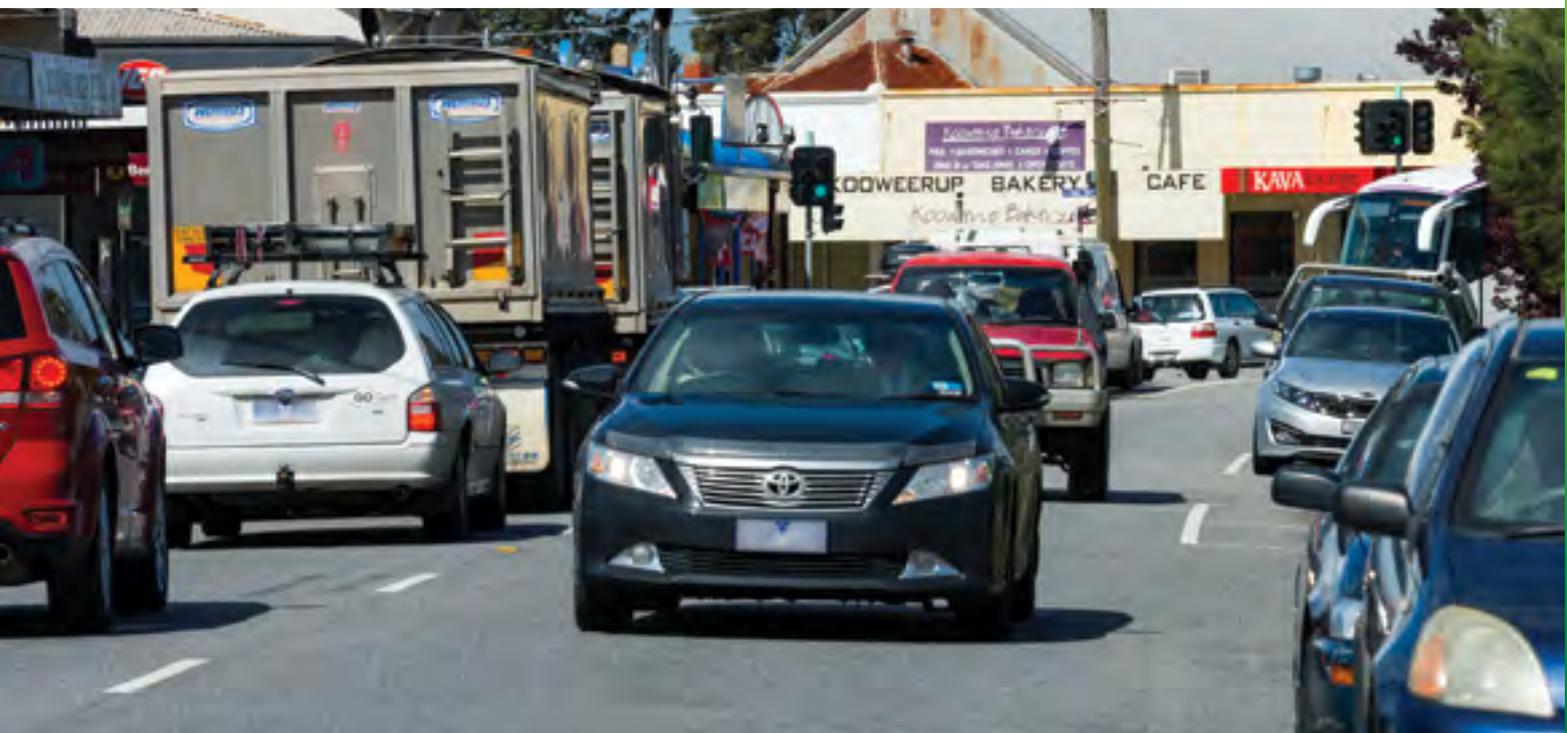
Early vegetation planting to establish habitat and safe travel corridors for the Southern Brown Bandicoot and other native animals has begun. A fox baiting program is underway in the area to assist with the protection of the bandicoots.

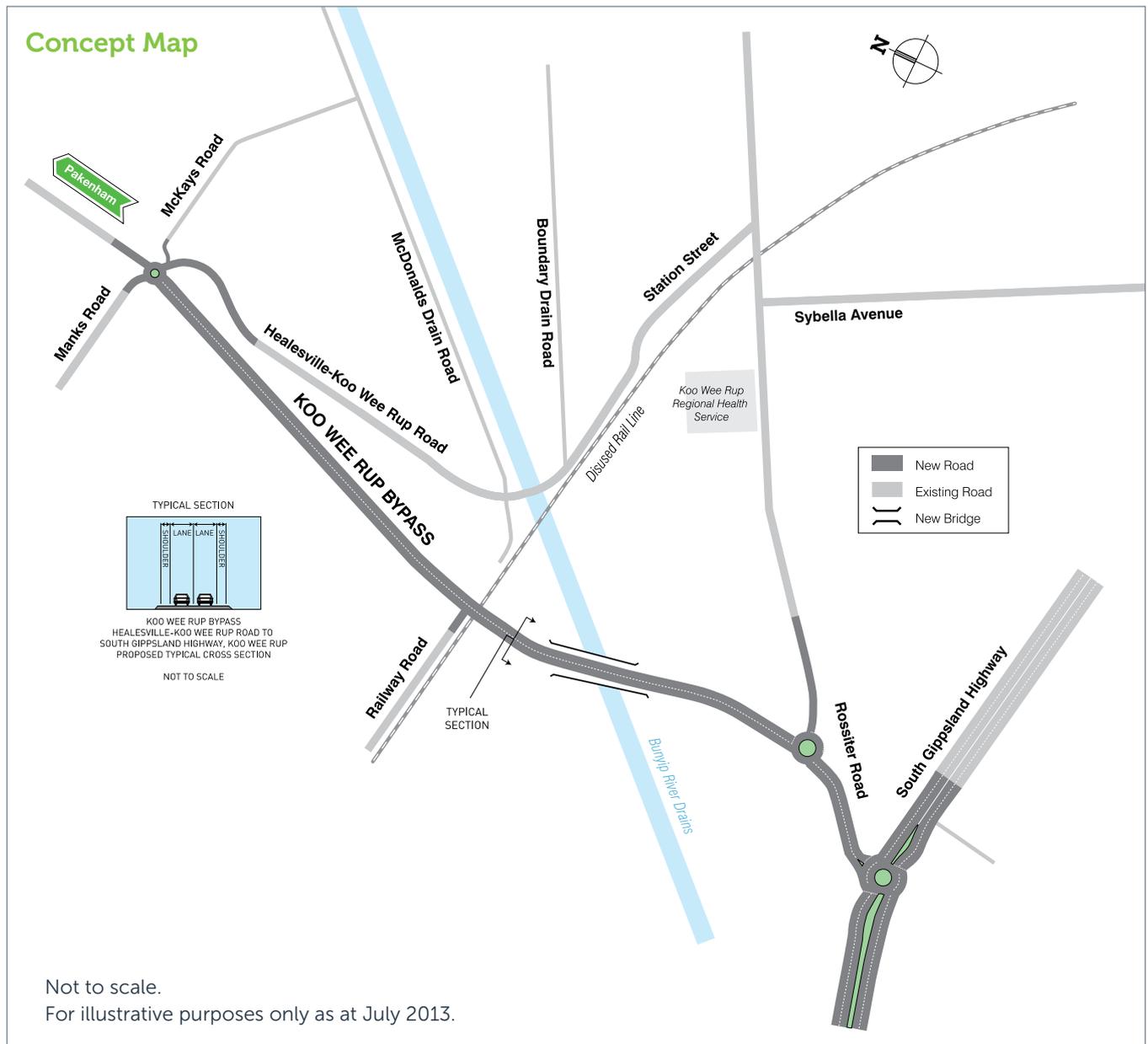
To stay up to date on the project's progress visit the Koo Wee Rup Bypass webpage vicroads.vic.gov.au/KooWeeRupbypass.

Features

- a 3.4 kilometre bypass road with one lane each way between Healesville-Koo Wee Rup Road and the South Gippsland Highway
- a new 280 metre bridge spanning the Bunyip River drains
- roundabouts to connect the bypass at Healesville-Koo Wee Rup Road, Rossiter Road and the South Gippsland Highway.

Below: The Koo Wee Rup Bypass will help remove through traffic, particularly heavy vehicles, from the town centre.





Benefits

- remove through traffic, particularly heavy vehicles from the town centre
- improve traffic flow
- provide safer road conditions
- reduce traffic noise and impacts
- improve the amenity to make Koo Wee Rup a more pleasant place to shop, do business and for visitors
- enhance access to schools, businesses and recreation areas.

Further information

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