



NSW MINISTER FOR ROADS
MICHAEL DALEY MP

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\$84.7 MILLION CONTRACT AWARDED FOR MAJOR F5 UPGRADE

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Minister for Roads, Michael Daley, today awarded an \$84.7 million contract for the final stage of the F5 Freeway upgrade near Campbelltown.

“The upgrade, which is scheduled to start in early 2009, is jointly funded by the NSW and Federal Governments,” Mr Daley said.

“Sydney’s south-west is one of the fastest growing areas in NSW, and both State and Federal Labor governments are committed to improving road infrastructure for residents and long distance travellers.”

Mr Daley said this latest F5 upgrade work included:

- widening the freeway from two lanes to four lanes in each direction between Brooks Road at Ingleburn Raby Road at St Andrews;
- widening the freeway from two lanes to three lanes in each direction between Raby Road and Narellan Road at Campbelltown; and
- building a pedestrian/bicycle bridge over the F5 between Claymore and Woodbine.”

“This is the next and final stage of the F5 upgrade from Brooks Road to Narellan Road, with roadworks designed to improve travel times, reduce congestion and increase road safety,” Mr Daley said.

“And I’m delighted that a local company, NACE Civil Engineering Pty Ltd at Prestons, was the successful tenderer.

“This will be great for local jobs,” Mr Daley said.

Welcoming work getting underway and the opportunity for more local jobs, Federal Member for Werriwa Chris Hayes, NSW Member for Campbelltown Graham West, and NSW Member for Camden Geoff Corrigan said the project was all about delivering new and improved infrastructure for the hardworking families of NSW.

“The F5 is one of the busiest routes in Sydney, used by more than 81,000 vehicles a day,” Mr Hayes said.

“Our two Labor Governments made a commitment to improve traffic flow on the F5 and that’s what we’re doing,” Mr Hayes said.

“It’s great that we can work so closely together for the best outcomes for our local communities.”

Mr West said the NSW Government completed the F5 northbound upgrade between Brooks Road and Camden Valley Way at Prestons in August this year.

Member for Camden, Geoff Corrigan, said under this latest contract, the section from Brooks Road to Raby Road is scheduled to be completed in the first half of 2011, while the Raby Road-Narellan Road section should be completed by the end of 2011, weather permitting,” Mr West said.

“Once this project is finished there’ll be 15 kilometres of upgraded freeway between Camden Valley Way and Narellan Road,” Mr Corrigan said.

Mr Daley advised anyone interested in finding our more about the F5 upgrade to visit the RTA website at www.rta.nsw.gov.au

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