



**Greg Aplin MP**  
Member for Albury

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **RIVERINA HIGHWAY UPGRADE WORK SPRINGS BACK INTO ACTION AFTER WINTER SHUT DOWN**

With the start of spring work will resume on stage two of the Riverina Highway upgrade between Lake Hume Village and Bethanga Bridge on Tuesday 5 September after the project's winter shut down.

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin said work on the NSW Government's \$11 million second stage of the highway upgrade started in November 2016 with most of the earth work, drainage, kerbing and revegetation completed before the wet winter period.

"The next stage of work will involve laying a new road surface along the length of the project and installing new safety measures, including new guardrails and permanent line marking," Mr Aplin said.

"The upgrade of the Bethanga Bridge gantry will also be completed with the new road surface in place at the bridge approaches.

"Due to good progress being made, the project is on track to be completed by the end of the year, well ahead of the scheduled completion in June next year.

"Work will be carried out on weekdays between 7am and 6pm and weekends between 7am and 1pm, weather permitting."

Mr Aplin said the NSW government was committed to the economic stability of regional areas and was proud the project has provided employment for 75 people, including permanent and casual staff, local contractors and service providers.

"Once completed, the project will provide consistent travelling conditions from Bethanga Bridge to Lake Hume Village and improve safety by increasing the lane and shoulder widths of the road," Mr Aplin said.

"Stage one of the project along the Riverina Highway between Sandy Creek and Lake Hume Village was completed in March last year."

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