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Pacific Highway Corridor

Infrastructure Investment Program

As at 2026–27 Budget

Total AGC	\$3,622.2 million
Corridor Description	The Pacific Highway along the National Land Transport Network in New South Wales between Newcastle and the Queensland Border
Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improved efficiency and network reliability• Improved connectivity between people with jobs and services, and goods with markets• Improved road safety for all road users• Improved freight productivity (and access to freight gateways)
Funding program	Investment Road and Rail – Infrastructure Investment Program
Transport mode	Road
State	NSW

Projects within the Pacific Highway Corridor:

M1 Pacific Motorway Extension to Raymond Terrace

This project involves an extension of the M1 Pacific Motorway from Black Hill to Raymond Terrace, to deliver a 15-kilometre dual carriageway bypass of Hexham and Heatherbrae, including a 2.6-kilometre bridge over the New England Highway and Hunter River and upgrades to the surrounding network, including the Hexham Straight widening. The Hexham Straight widening involves widening around 6 kilometres of the Pacific Highway/Maitland Road to three lanes in each direction.

M1 Pacific Motorway – Tweed Heads to Byron Bay Network Improvements

This project will deliver modelling, concept design and economic analysis for upgrades to key interchanges on the Pacific Motorway between Tweed Coast Road at Chinderah and the Gold Coast Highway connection near the QLD border and planning for network improvements for the M1 Pacific Highway and Ewingdale Road intersection at Byron Bay to provide safe and efficient access to Byron Bay.

Coffs Harbour Bypass

This project includes upgrading around 14 kilometres of the Pacific Highway at Coffs Harbour, starting from south of Englands Road roundabout and finishing at the southern end of the Sapphire to Woolgoolga upgrade project. The project will deliver four lanes of divided highway to a motorway standard and will bypass the Coffs Harbour urban area.

Pacific Highway - Harrington Road Intersection Upgrade, Coopers Creek

This project involves constructing a full grade separated interchange at the junction between the Pacific Highway and roads connecting to Harrington and Coopers Creek. This project will improve road safety at the intersection, ensuring local road users can join the highway more safely.

Pacific Highway - Raymond Terrace to Karuah - Planning

This planning project will scope and develop works for the removal of three high-risk at grade intersections on the Pacific Highway between Raymond Terrace and Karuah, including Bucketts Way, Medowie Road and Italia Road. It will address safety issues, improve efficiency, and also support the development of industries utilising these intersections.