

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT 1979**Declaration of Critical Infrastructure Project**

I, the Minister for Planning, declare under section 75C of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, that the project referred to in the Schedule is a critical infrastructure project, having formed the opinion that the project is essential for the State for economic and social reasons.

FRANK SARTOR, M.P.,
Minister for Planning

Sydney, 5 December 2006.

SCHEDULE

Development for the purposes of upgrading the following segments of the Hume Highway, located within the Greater Hume and Wagga Wagga Local Government Areas and at the locations shown on the map marked 'Hume Highway Duplication', to achieve four lanes of dual carriageway ('the Project'):

1. Sturt Highway to Tarcutta, from approximately 37 kilometres south of Gundagai to approximately 43 kilometres south of Gundagai;
2. Kyeamba Hill, from approximately 67 kilometres south of Gundagai to approximately 76 kilometres south of Gundagai;
3. Little Billabong, from approximately 85 kilometres south of Gundagai to approximately 93 kilometres south of Gundagai;
4. Yarra Yarra to Holbrook, from approximately 98 kilometres south of Gundagai to approximately 110 kilometres south of Gundagai;
5. Woomargama to Mullengandra, from approximately 131 kilometres south of Gundagai to approximately 141 kilometres south of Gundagai.

Development for all associated or ancillary works, activities, uses, structures or facilities for the purposes of the Project, and includes (but is not limited to) works, activities, uses, structures or facilities for the following:

- a) construction (including demolition works) and operation of the Project;
- b) access for the construction and operation of the Project, including access for pedestrians, public transport and vehicles;
- c) environmental management and pollution control for the Project;
- d) associated interchanges, intersections, bridges, overpasses, ramps, service roads and road modifications for the Project;
- e) any changes to the route of the existing carriageway or road for the Project;
- f) any re-alignment, modification, demolition or replacement of the existing carriageway or road for the Project; and
- g) any winning or obtaining extractive material as part of construction work for the Project.

Development does not include activities comprising of surveys, test drilling, test excavations, preliminary geotechnical investigations or the like associated with the design and environmental assessments required for the Project prior to the commencement of construction.

Hume Highway Duplication

