

Upgrading the Pacific Highway

Tintenbar to Ewingsdale



The Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) is identifying an upgrade of the Pacific Highway for approximately 17 kilometres of dual carriageway between Tintenbar and Ewingsdale. Planning for the project is funded by the NSW State Government.

Value management workshop

A value management workshop was held in December with representatives from government departments, Ballina and Byron Shire councils and community interests. The purpose of this workshop was to assess which route options could provide the best balance across environmental, social, land use, traffic and engineering issues, while also achieving the highest overall benefits.

The outcome of the workshop is not a final decision. No preferred option has been selected at this stage.

The workshop is one of several inputs to the consideration of a preferred route, as shown in this flow chart.

The consensus of the workshop participants was that the sections:

- Blue sections A1 and A2
- Green section B1; and
- Purple option D

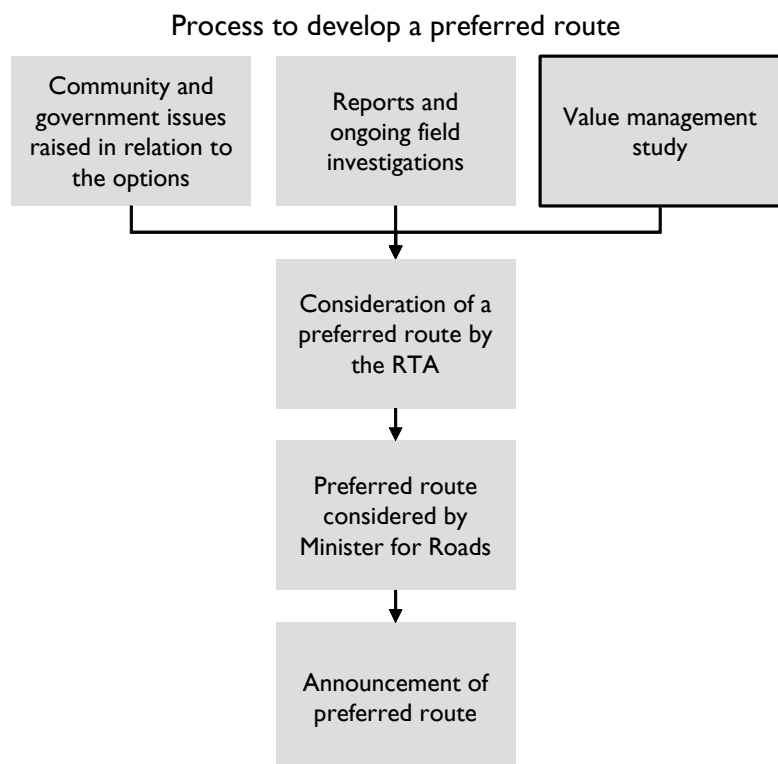
were preferred over other sections, subject to further agricultural and noise impact investigations. That is, A1 or B1 could combine with section A2.

It was also agreed by workshop participants that green section B2 and orange option C should not be considered further. The C/D section will now be considered as part of the D/purple route.

The workshop also recommended that the potential noise impacts of options T1-T2 be further examined.

Detailed report available

More information is available in the March 2006 Tintenbar to Ewingsdale **Value Management Workshop Report**. Copies of the report are available from the project website or by contacting the project information line (details below).



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