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Fifteenth Avenue upgrade Review of Environmental Factors (REF)



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Artists impression of proposed road connecting to Twenty Seventh Avenue

The NSW and Australian Governments have each committed an additional \$200 million to the Fifteenth Avenue Upgrade. With the funding totalling \$1.4 Billion, Transport for NSW can fast track the project by one year. Work will now start at the end of 2026, instead of the end of 2027.

The Review of Environmental Factors (REF) is now available to view, and you're invited to have your say.

Traffic on Fifteenth Avenue is increasing as Western Sydney grows, leading to congestion, delays and safety issues, particularly at busy intersections and during peak times, making upgrades necessary. The upgrade aims

to improve safety, reduce congestion, increase travel reliability and plan for future transport needs.

In late 2025, the community provided feedback on early concept designs as part of the Getting Around Fifteenth Avenue in the Future consultation. We heard concerns about congestion, safety, property access and local streets. This feedback confirmed the proposed approach and informed targeted design refinements, allowing the project to progress without major changes. These outcomes are reflected in the REF now on display.

Thank you to everyone who submitted feedback or spoke with the project team.



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transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/current-projects/fifteenth-avenue-upgrade



Fifteenth Avenue looking West from Cowpasture Road

The Review of Environmental Factors (REF)

What is it?

The Review of Environmental Factors (REF) is a planning document required under NSW planning legislations. It looks at how a proposed project could affect the environment and the local community.

The REF brings together information about the project design, technical studies and environmental investigations to identify potential impacts and explain how these would be avoided, reduced or managed before construction starts.

Why is it being displayed?

The REF is being publicly displayed to help the community understand the proposed upgrade and what it could mean for the local area. It gives people the opportunity to see how environmental and community issues are being considered as part of the project.

The project design has now moved beyond early ideas and includes more detail about the upgrade, construction activities and how impacts would be managed.

By displaying the REF, Transport for NSW is sharing clear information about:

- how the project would be built
- what potential impacts have been identified
- how those impacts would be managed
- what the project is funded to deliver now, and what is not included at this stage

The REF helps support informed discussion and shows how feedback, evidence and long-term planning are being considered in project decisions

What does it include?

The REF covers the proposed upgrade of Fifteenth Avenue between Cowpasture Road and Devonshire Road. It includes information about road widening, intersection upgrades, walking and bike riding facilities, and changes to property access. It also documents environmental investigations such as noise and vibration, traffic, biodiversity, water and urban design.

The REF explains how construction would be staged and the measures that would be put in place to manage impacts during works. This includes how Transport for NSW would communicate with nearby residents, businesses and road users during construction.

Some aspects of the design have been refined in response to community feedback and the plans are now moving forward to the next stage without significant change.



Transport for NSW acknowledges the Dharug people as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pays respect to Elders past and present.

Key changes

The Australian and NSW Governments have increased funding for the Fifteenth Avenue upgrade to \$1.4 billion. The designs have been updated in response to the funding boost, community feedback and council consultation.

A summary of the key changes is provided below.



Bus stop with shelter

Various sections

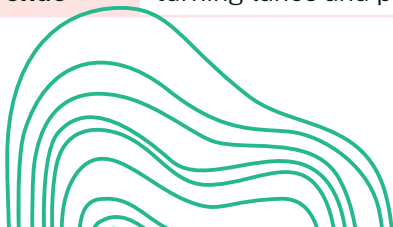
New bus stops
Indented bus bays to keep traffic moving
New shared walking and bike paths
New footpath on southern side of Fifteenth Avenue
New bridge over Kemps Creek
New bridge over Sydney Water Canal
Acquiring or leasing properties, or adjusting property boundaries, where needed
Central median along Fifteenth Avenue
Traffic light intersections for right turns

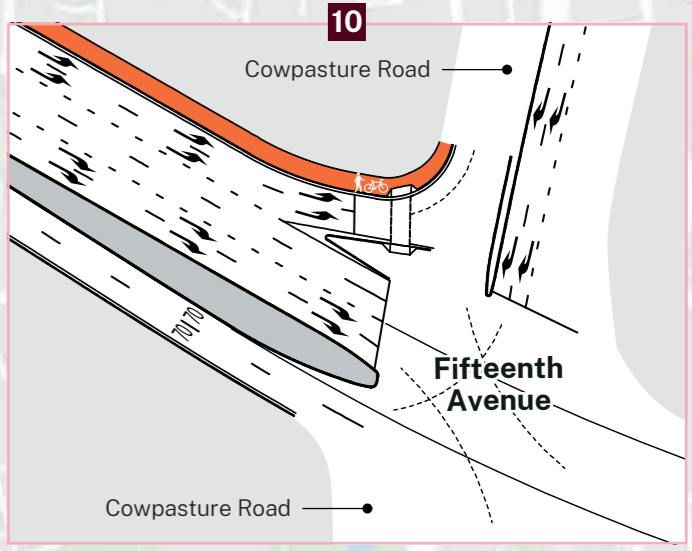
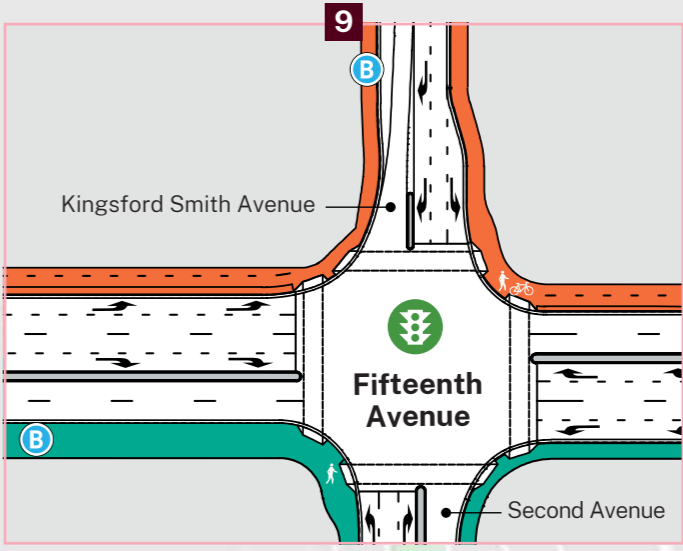
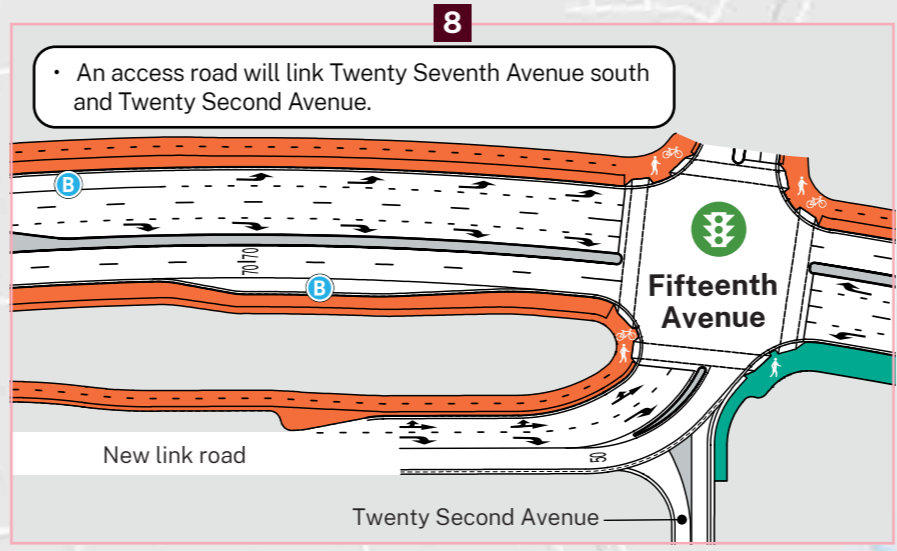
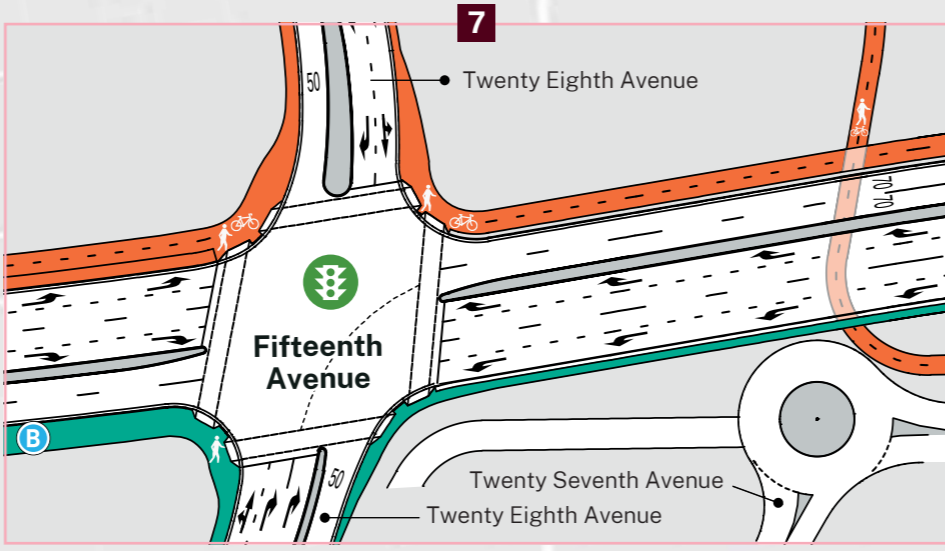
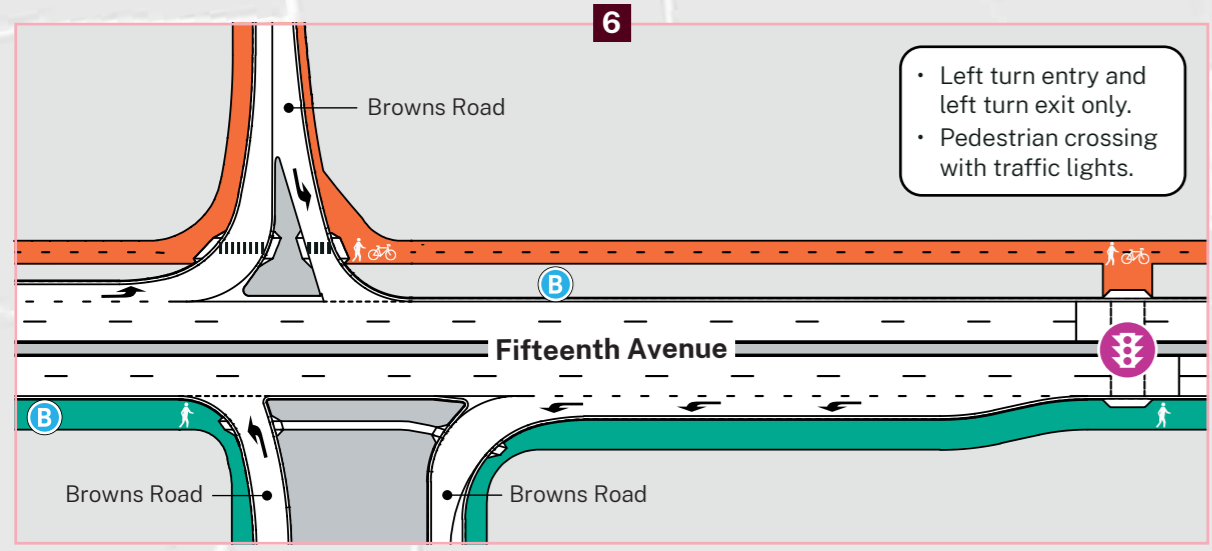
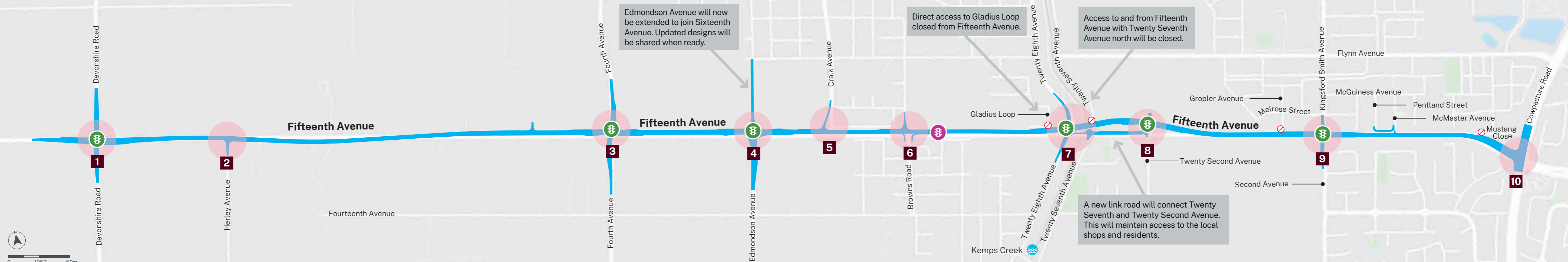
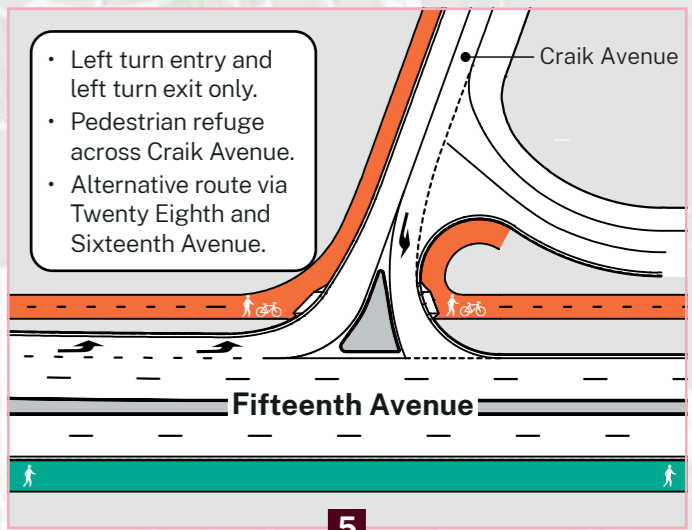
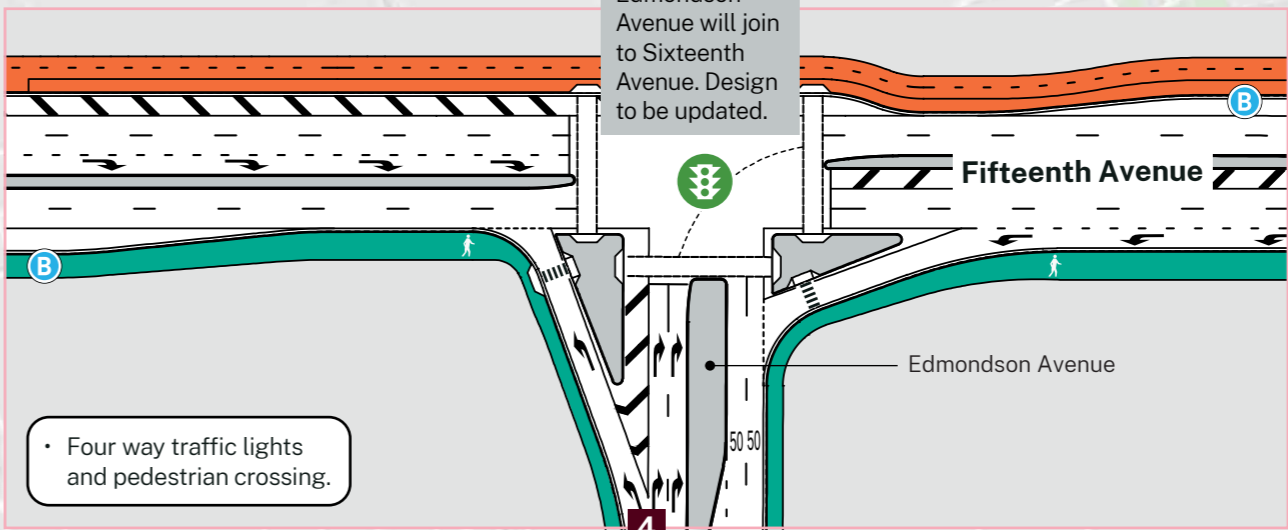
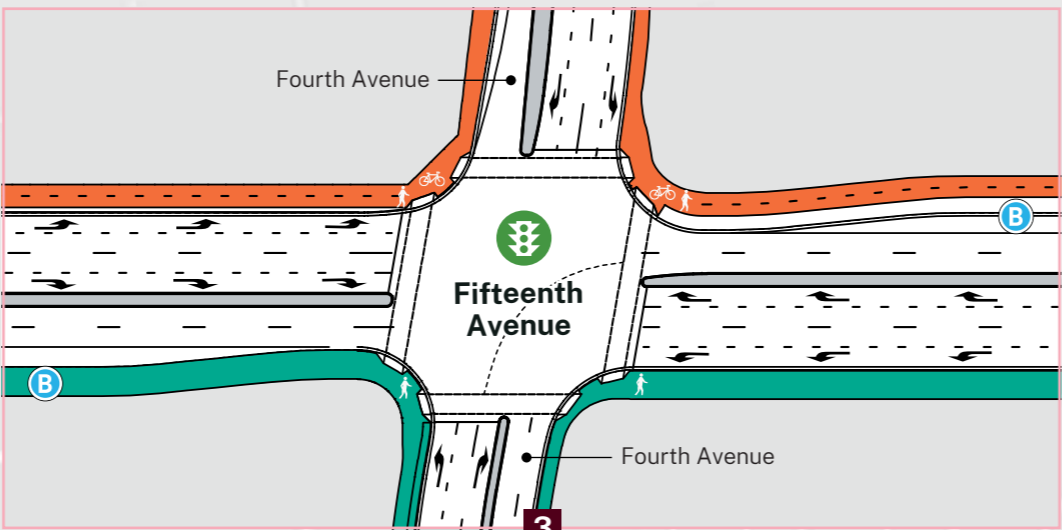
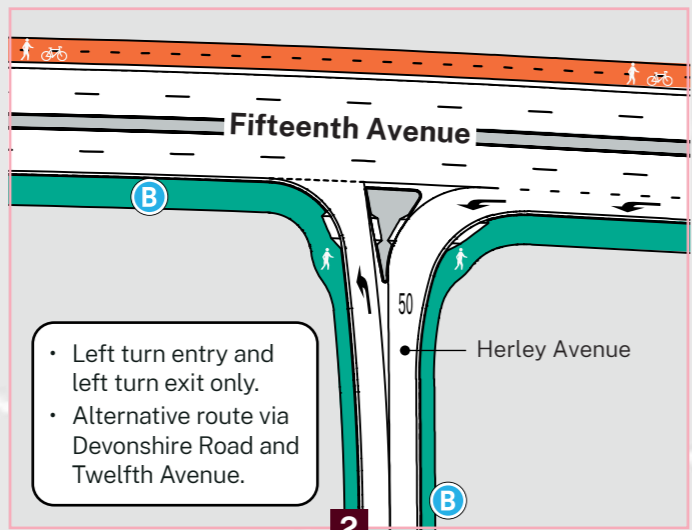
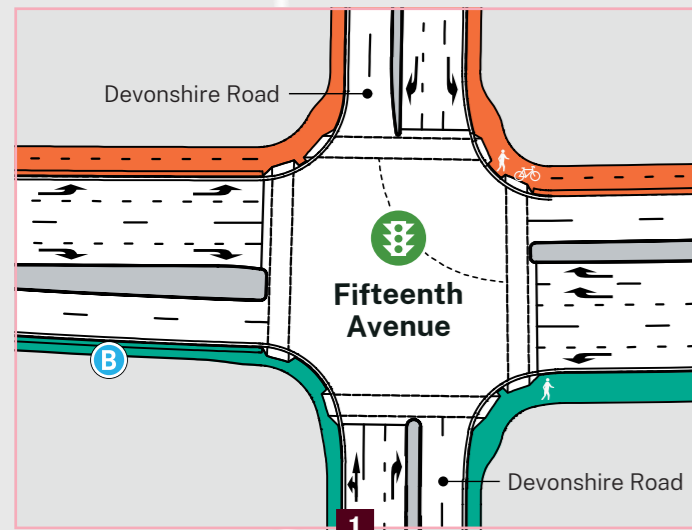
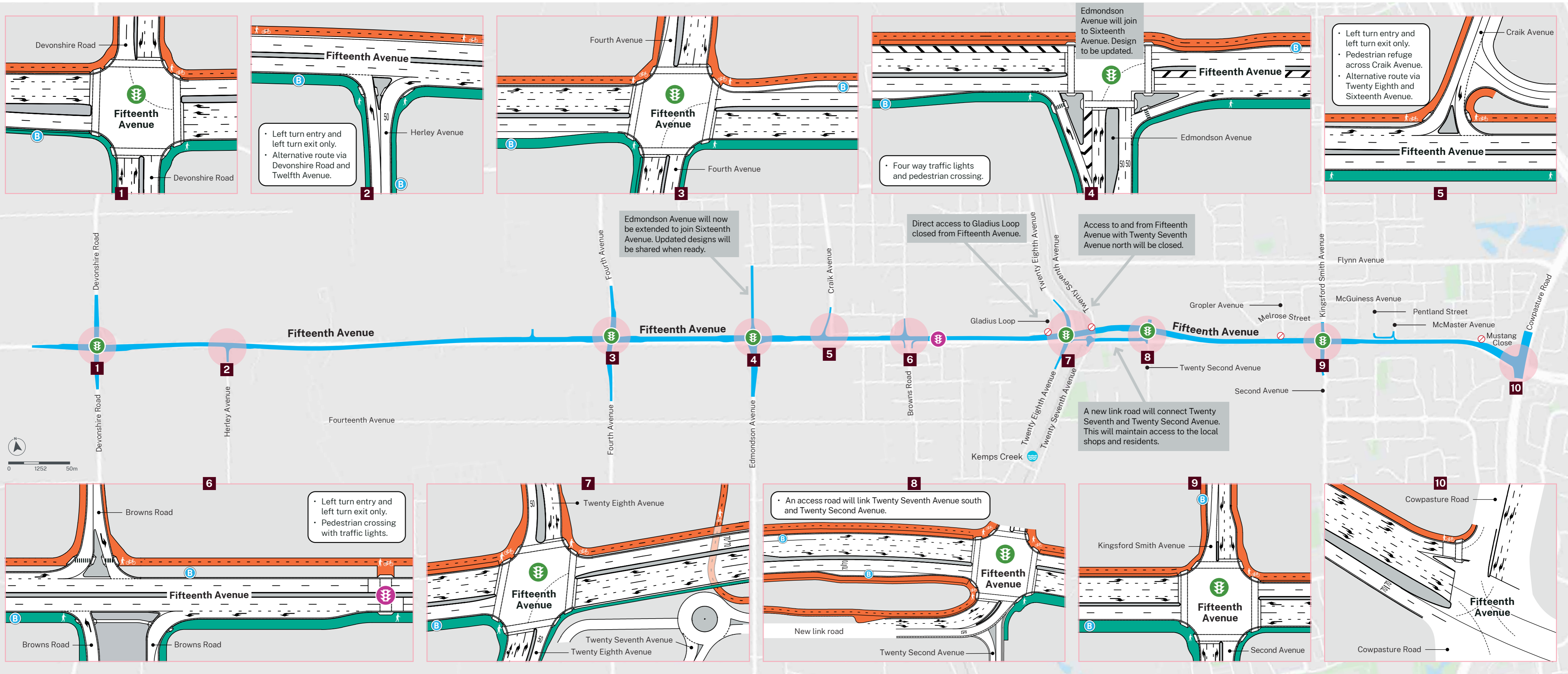
Section 1 – Cowpasture Road to Second Avenue

Mustang Close	Becomes a cul-de-sac
	Vehicles access Fifteenth Avenue by travelling via Flynn Avenue to Kingsford Smith Road or Cowpasture Road
	Mustang Close through-road restricted; pedestrian / bike rider access retained
McMaster Avenue	Vehicles left turn only out of McMaster Avenue onto Fifteenth Avenue
	Alternative access via Kingsford Smith and McGuinness Avenues
Pentland Street	Direct access closed to Fifteenth Avenue
	Becomes a loop road connecting with McMaster Avenue
	Alternative access to via Kingsford Smith and McGuinness Avenues
Second Avenue	New traffic light intersection with turning lanes and pedestrian crossings

Section 2 – Second Avenue to Devonshire Road

Gropler Avenue	Direct access to Gropler Avenue closed
	Becomes a cul-de-sac
	Alternative access via Kingsford Smith Avenue and Melrose Street
Twenty Second Ave and Twenty Seventh Ave	Access road links Twenty Second with Twenty Seventh Avenue south
	Link road maintains access to local shops/residents
	New traffic light intersection with turning lanes and pedestrian crossings
Twenty Seventh Ave south	Access to/from Fifteenth Ave closed
	Access road links Twenty Seventh south with Twenty Second Avenue
Twenty Seventh Ave north	Access to/from Fifteenth Ave closed
Twenty Eighth Ave	New traffic light intersection
Gladius Loop	Direct access to Fifteenth Ave closed
Browns Road	Access to Browns Road left turn in and left turn out only
Craik Avenue	Direct access to Fifteenth Avenue left turn in and left turn out only
Edmondson Avenue	New, four-way traffic light intersection, with turning lanes and pedestrian crossings. The design will now include the extension of Edmondson Road to join with Sixteenth Avenue
Fourth Avenue	New traffic light intersection, with turning lanes and pedestrian crossings
Herley Avenue	Access to Herley Avenue left turn in and left turn out only
	Alternative route via Devonshire Road and Twelfth Avenue
Devonshire Road	New traffic light intersection, with turning lanes and pedestrian crossings





Have Your Say

We'd like to hear your feedback on:

- The upgrade proposal
- How the road works will affect your daily life (night works traffic detours, dust, road closures)
- Noise once the road is upgraded
- Stormwater and drainage, during and after construction
- What is important to the you about the area.

Providing feedback will help us understand what matters most to the community, so we can work towards creating a safer, more efficient road for local communities, businesses and road users.

How to provide feedback

- Complete the online survey
- Comment on the interactive map
- Email us at projects@transport.nsw.gov.au
- Come and speak with the project team.

Meet the team

When Friday 3 July
Time 12-4pm
Where **Carnes Hills Community Centre**
600 Kurrajong Rd, Carnes Hill NSW 2171

When Thursday 9 July
Time 12-4pm
Where **Arrahman College**
95 Seventeenth Ave, Austral NSW 2179

When Thursday 16 July
Time 10am-2pm
Where **Thomas Hassall Anglican College**
125 Kingsford Smith Ave, Middleton Grange NSW 2171

When Saturday 25 July
Time 12-4pm
Where **Club Austral**
165 Edmondson Ave,
Austral NSW 2179

Fifteenth Avenue Upgrade timeline



Share your story

We'd love to hear **what you value most** about the area. You can share your stories, photographs or videos to help us understand what makes your local area special.



You can have your say by scanning the QR code or visit: haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/fifteenth-avenue-upgrade-ref

You can also email us to get involved at: projects@transport.nsw.gov.au

Planning for the future

The additional \$400 million joint commitment by the Australian and NSW Governments will bring the project funding to \$1.4 Billion. The funds will be used to:

- Start work one year early
- Make design improvements in response to community and council feedback
- Build improved bus stops and shelters
- Build better road connections for easier access to nearby areas.
- This includes extending Edmondson Avenue to connect with Sixteenth Avenue. Updated designs will be shared when ready.

We will protect land now so that in the future Fifteenth Avenue may be transformed into the Liverpool to Airport Transit Corridor. The corridor will connect communities to the opportunities of the Western Sydney International Airport precincts: jobs, education, travel and housing.

Benefits of the Fifteenth Avenue Upgrade

- Reduced travel times
- Four lanes of upgraded road
- Less congestion
- Improved safety
- Dedicated turning lanes
- Centre median to separate opposing traffic
- Seven new traffic light intersections
- New walking and bike riding paths
- New bus stops



What happens next

- The REF is now on display so the community can review and provide feedback.
- After the display period, Transport for NSW will review all submissions.
- Feedback will be considered alongside technical and environmental studies.
- Any required changes to the proposal will be identified.
- A decision will then be made on whether the project proceeds and under what conditions.
- The community will be updated on the outcome, including construction timing if approved.
- Transport for NSW will continue to keep the community informed as the project progresses.

Stay informed

Sign up for email updates as the project progresses.

Email **Projects@transport.nsw.gov.au**

Phone **1800 684 490**

Visit **transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/current-projects/fifteenth-avenue-upgrade**



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