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Proposal Title: **MACARTHUR ROADS**

Cluster: Transport for NSW

General Government Sector Impacts

	2014-15 \$'000	2015-16 \$'000	2016-17 \$'000	2017-18 \$'000	4 Year Total \$'000
Expenses (ex. depreciation)					-
Depreciation					-
Less: Offsets					-
Revenue					-
Net Operating Result:	-	-	-	-	-

Capital Expenditure					-
Capital Offsets					-
Capital Expenditure:	-	-	-	-	-

Net Lending/(Borrowing)	-	-	-	-	-
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Net Financial Liabilities:	-	-	-	-	-
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Total State Sector Impacts

Net Financial Liabilities:	-	-	-	-	-
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Notes and costing assumptions

The policy proposes to allocate \$2 million to commence planning of the Spring Farm Link Road and investigate a new direct connection from Menangle Park to the Hume Motorway via additional on/off ramps.

Key assumptions

The policy proposes funding of \$1 million per annum in 2015-16 and 2016-17 to Transport for NSW for studies into the feasibility, scope and full cost of the projects, as well as business case development. The funding is proposed to be sourced from uncommitted funds in the Transport for NSW Capital works provision. Transport for NSW have \$119.6 million in 2015-16 and \$228.3 million in 2016-17 of uncommitted funds.

The PBO notes the following restriction applies to funds from Transport for NSW Capital works provision:
 "Amounts are notionally allocated to major new works programs or projects to meet planned service delivery growth and maintenance needs of Transport for NSW.

While individual projects have been nominated and amounts notionally set aside, they have not been formally approved and announced. Any election announcements of additional projects using these funds may require reprioritisation of the agency's service delivery plans.

In addition, some funding sources supporting these programs are restricted under relevant legislation to be applied towards specific transport objectives."

Costing assumptions continued:

Background

UrbanGrowth NSW estimates to complete the upgrade of Spring Farm Link Road and connections to Menangle Park and the Hume Highway will cost \$170 million. There is no budget allocation for these upgrades in the forward estimates.

The components of the upgrade, in 2015 constant dollar terms, include \$64.2 million for north and south ramps and lanes on and off the Hume Highway, \$15.7 million for the Menangle Road upgrade, \$73.7 million for widening Spring Farm Link Road by one lane in each direction and \$4.5 million for rail bridges.