In June 1990, the then State Minister for Roads announced the commencement of planning to improve the Princes Highway from Gerringong to Berry.

A consultant was engaged to conduct a route evaluation study to upgrade the Princes Highway from Gerringong (Belinda Street) to Berry covering a distance of approximately 12km.

The study identified five (5) potential corridors.

1. Highway corridor option.
2. North saddle corridor option.
3. South saddle corridor option.
4. Toolijooa link corridor option.
5. Railway corridor option.

In the consultant’s analysis, the highway corridor and the Toolijooa link corridor each had merit and were considered feasible as an upgrade route.

In the consultant’s report it was noted the highway corridor should be the preferred route, however the final decision could only be made once the study was displayed and consideration given to all the input received.

The study report was exhibited for comment in 1991. The government did not proceed with the necessary environmental assessment and a preferred route was not determined.

The current (2006) study is for an area between Mount Pleasant Lookout at Gerringong and Moss Vale/Cambewarra Roads at Bomaderry and is significantly longer by approximately 20km.

Because of this increase in study area, it is important that previous studies be thoroughly reviewed against new information on the area to ensure the best overall route can be determined.

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