

# Bobeyan Road Upgrade Project

## April Update

Construction has been underway for a few weeks on the portion of Bobeyan Road between Jones Plain Road and Shannons Flat Road. While there is still some tidying up to be done around the new Deep Creek Bridge, contracts have been put out for tender for the section from Ashvale Road to Jones Plains Road. Initially, this will be mainly pipe and drainage works.

There will be some delays in obtaining some culverts and wing-walls as suppliers are being hit hard by supply-chain issues. However, Council is attempting to source these products from a range of suppliers in a effort to reduce lead times.

Archaeological investigations will be starting soon on a number of areas between Yaouk Road/Shannons Flat intersection and the Wrights Hill Road area. Potential Archaeological Deposits were identified in the Review of Environmental Factors. Therefore, further investigation is warranted.



This is not the only scientific investigation underway. Council met with a group of geologists on-site where they were very interested in a section of rock outcrops along one of the work sites. The formation is known as silcrete. While it is found in a wide range of areas around south-east NSW, its origin and the process of formation are still being debated.

One thing that is known about silcrete is that it has a very high silica content, which makes it very resistant to erosion. The geologists are hoping to take a sample of around 4 -5 tonne back to Canberra to be eventually added to the "Rock Garden" at the Arboretum.

The Land Acquisition process has not officially started as yet. Currently, Jason Tearle from Public Works Advisory (PWA) is obtaining Early Access Agreement from landowners. This will allow the construction crews to commence work in the vicinity of the surveyed road alignment.

The Land Acquisition process will commence once construction has been completed and surveyors have carefully identified the land that is to be acquired. This will then start the negotiations between landowners and PWA.

