

Rural addressing for NSW

What is rural addressing?

Rural addressing is a collaborative community project administered by the Department of Lands and local councils. It is a simple, straightforward means to identify and locate rural properties throughout Australia.

How does rural addressing work?

Rural addressing assigns an individual number to a property in accordance with set rules. The number is based on a distance from the starting point—usually a road intersection—with odd numbers on the left and even numbers on the right.

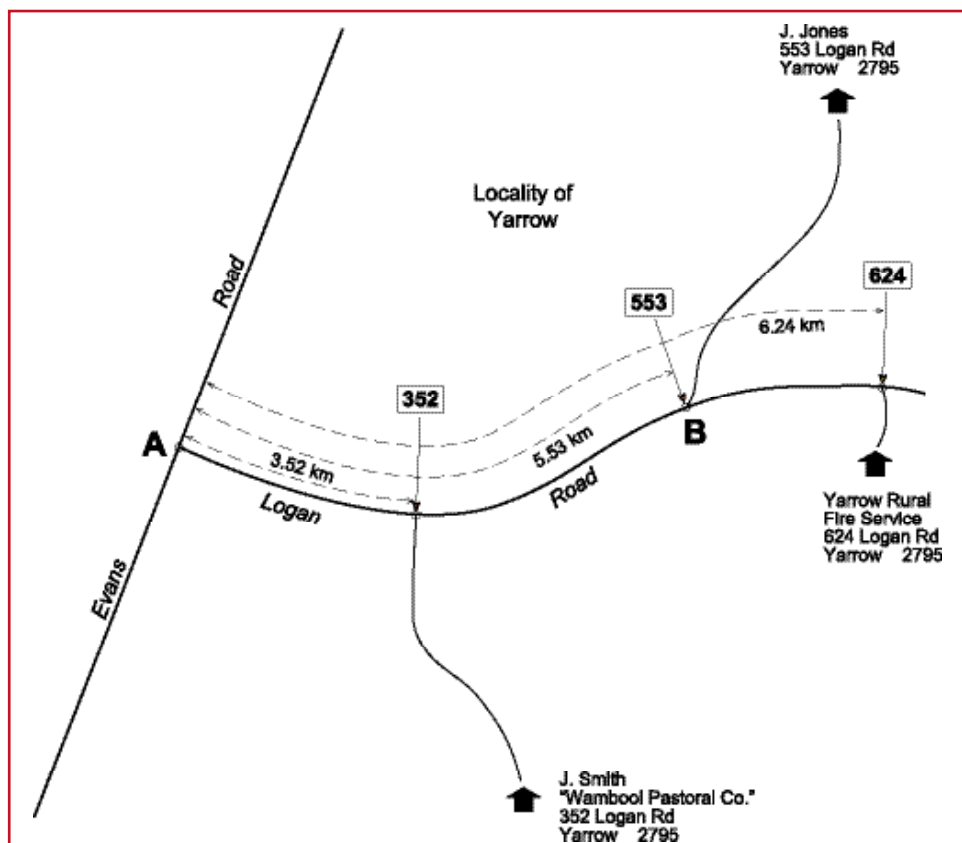
The system is demonstrated in the diagram below. The property entrance of point 'B' is 5.53km (5530m) from point 'A' at the road intersection. Therefore, the property has an address number of 553.

Why is rural addressing needed?

Currently, the task of locating rural properties requires a definition such as *just a few miles past the grid or after the last letterbox*. This has caused delays and inconvenience for emergency services and the delivery of goods and services to the community. Rural addressing provides a standardised means of locating rural properties (Australia-wide) with a system that is accurate, easy to understand and easy to apply.

Naming of roads and localities

To assist the community and service providers, rural addressing will provide new road and locality signs, as well as individual property number plates.



The community and rural addressing

Rural addressing is an involved process that will affect the entire community. The consultative approach adopted for this project will ensure that residents, businesses and other interested parties have the opportunity to offer their input and suggestions.

Timeline

Full implementation of the project is estimated to take a minimum of 12 months from the time of commencement.

For further advice or assistance

For further advice or assistance on road naming in NSW contact the GNB.

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