

## CASE STUDY //

### B-Triples and AB-Triples into New South Wales

The NSW Government has announced that B-Triples and AB-Triples can gain access to approved routes in western New South Wales, with the IAP being a condition of access.

Major industries throughout western New South Wales can benefit from increased mass capacities of up to 90.5 tonnes GCM for B-Triples and 113 tonnes GCM for AB-Triples. This is a significant increase beyond the maximum 79 tonnes GCM that was previously available for Double Road Trains in New South Wales.

Being able to carry the extra weight has been strongly sought by the farming communities and mining operators in western New South Wales for many years.

The B-Triples can now carry extra payload, providing farmers with additional deck space to carry more livestock and for the mining operators to carry more mineral sands. These productivity gains may be passed onto the retailer and ultimately to the end consumer. Here is a perfect example of how the IAP has been used to respond to industry's demands for more productive vehicles in return for demonstrating to the relevant road authorities (in this case the Roads and Traffic Authority in New South Wales) that the vehicles are complying with agree access conditions.

It also demonstrates how a transport operator participating in the IAP can increase productivity through improved access, reduced trip frequency and higher permitted loads, creating an advantage over their competitors.