

Media Release

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KEEPING ALL ROAD USERS SAFE ALONG BALLARTO ROAD

Four major intersection upgrades along one of Melbourne south-east's busiest arterials will improve traffic flow and safety while supporting the growing community for years to come.

Funded by the Victorian and Commonwealth Governments as part of a \$36.5 million package of upgrades, the improvements along Ballarto Road between Seaford and Skye will help drivers get to their destinations sooner and safer.

Early works have already commenced on the first project at Ballarto Road and Lyrebird Drive in Carrum Downs, which will improve safety and reliability for motorists, public transport users and pedestrians.

As part of the improvements new traffic lights and additional lanes in each direction through the intersection will be added reducing bottlenecks and improving traffic flow for motorists turning into and driving along Ballarto Road.

Works will also include new safety barriers, retaining walls and installing better lighting as well as an upgraded pedestrian crossing which will make it easier and safer for people crossing Ballarto Road. Two bus stops will be relocated and improved, with new footpaths connecting to the stops making them more accessible for passengers catching public transport.

Three further intersections will be upgraded along Ballarto Road corridor, including Greenwood Drive, McCormicks Road and Potts Road in Carrum Downs and Skye, with planning already underway.

Nearby, Major Road Projects Victoria (MRPV) is currently upgrading Lathams Road, with plans to deliver works on Hall Road and Western Port Highway. The Hall Road project will see the duplication of Hall Road between McCormicks Road and Cranbourne-Frankston Road.

Traffic lights will help improve traffic flow and ease congestion at the Ballarto Road and Cranbourne-Frankston Road intersections along the Western Port Highway, and the Evans Road and Cranbourne-Frankston Road intersection.

The intersection upgrades are on top of significant road rehabilitation works which are underway along Ballarto Road between Tuckers Road and Tooradin Station Road in Clyde to provide motorists with a smoother journey.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll

"Ballarto Road is an important east-west corridor that connects Frankston-Dandenong Road and Western Port Highway – we are investing in upgrades across Melbourne's road network to improve safety and travel times."

"Delivering road upgrades along Ballarto Road in Carrum Downs will help to support transport efficiency across the network, access to key locations, and contribute to a productive economy."

Quotes attributable to Member for Carrum Sonya Kilkenny

"The intersection upgrade at Lyrebird Drive and Ballarto Rd will make a big difference to local residents and I can't wait to help deliver this important safety upgrade."

"It is also an important route for bus passengers who jump on our public transport network to reliably get where they need to go. By upgrading these intersections along and near Ballarto Road, we are ensuring it is safe for all road users to continue sharing our network."

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