

# Media Release

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## REGIONAL ROAD MAINTENANCE BLITZ REACHES THE HALFWAY POINT

Thousands of kilometres of roads across regional Victoria have been made safer and more reliable as the Andrews Labor Government's annual road maintenance blitz reaches its halfway mark.

Since September 2021, crews have been out in force across the state, rebuilding and repairing a total of 600 kilometres of roads so far.

520 projects have already been completed on some of the Victoria's busiest transport and tourist routes, including the Western, South Gippsland and Hamilton highways, delivering safer journeys for tens of thousands of drivers each day.

Works are also currently underway on the Wimmera, Henty, Hume, and Bass highways, along with the Glenelg Highway, Lavers Hill-Cobden Road, and the Princes Highway.

There is still more to come, with the Government focused on delivering major road rebuilding projects, including the Murray Valley Highway, Goulburn Valley Highway and Pyrenees highways over the coming months.

Right across Victoria, the blitz is delivering more than 1,000 maintenance projects on our regional roads, delivering safer and smoother journeys across more than 1,300 kilometres of the network.

In addition to works on the road, crews have also been busy mowing thousands of kilometres of roadside grass and repairing and replacing more than 7,000 roadside signs.

This significant investment continues to deliver for regional economies, keeping farmers, manufacturers, and freight operators connected with trade opportunities and supporting jobs right across the supply chain, from workers on the ground through to suppliers based right across the state.

It's all part of the Labor Government's continued investment in regional transport, with major investments in our road and rail network helping Victorians get where they need to go, safely and efficiently.

Since 2018, more than 5,300 kilometres of roads have been rebuilt and resurfaced across the state.

As crews continue to deliver these vital works as part of this year's maintenance blitz, drivers are reminded to stay patient and alert when travelling through work sites, keeping our workers and other drivers safe.

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll

*"Regional Victorians rely on their roads to get to work and school, to transport produce, and to support tourism – our investments make sure this can be done safely and efficiently."*

*"Our unprecedented program of road upgrades and maintenance is delivering for the economy in regional Victoria by supporting jobs in our quarries, engaging local suppliers and employing local crews."*