

Media Release

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LANDSLIP RISK REDUCED ON MAJOR ALPINE ROADS

Travelling through Victoria's north east alpine region has been made safer and more reliable, with important landslip prevention works now complete on several key roads.

Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll said the works have safeguarded the road and reduced the risks of future landslips disrupting the journeys of locals and tourists.

Four locations have been excavated on the Great Alpine Road and Mount Buller Road, and the lower side of the road rebuilt with reinforced materials, while drainage infrastructure has also been improved.

Road realignment and drainage improvement works have been completed at two locations on Bogong High Plains Road culvert works.

Last year crews repaired or replaced more than 60 culverts across the Great Alpine, Mount Buller, Mount Stirling, Bogong High Plains and Bright-Tawonga roads.

The essential works have been delivered as part of the Andrews Labor Government's \$124 million Building Works package, with \$32.8 million going towards preventing landslips on important tourist routes and supporting local jobs across the state.

Find out more on the Regional Roads Victoria website at regionalroads.vic.gov.au or call the hotline on 133 778.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll

"Victoria's Alpine Region is a huge drawcard for tourists and plays a vital part in our economy, so it is important its road network remains safe and reliable."

"The economic impact of the pandemic has been felt across the state, which is why we are fixing more roads, improve safety and create hundreds of jobs in regional Victoria to help get communities back on their feet."

Quotes attributable to Member for Northern Victoria Jaclyn Symes

"Over the past few months, our crews have been working tirelessly to help safeguard these roads and prevent future landslips from disrupting access to the high country for tourists and local communities alike."

"Thanks to these works, the risk of dangerous landslips in the alpine region has been reduced, helping to ensure these vital north east Victorian roads remain safe and reliable for the thousands of people who travel on them every year."