

# Media Release

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## UPGRADE TO IMPROVE INTERSECTION IN FERNTREE GULLY

The Andrews Labor Government is improving safety at a busy intersection in Melbourne's east with traffic lights to be installed and pedestrian crossings to be added in Ferntree Gully.

The *2022/23 Victorian Budget* is investing \$30 million to upgrade the intersection at Burwood Highway, McMahons Road and Clyde Street to reduce the risk of crashes and keep pedestrians safe.

The project is part of the \$125.7 million *Metropolitan Road Upgrades Program* which will deliver eight high priority road upgrades across Melbourne to build a safer and more resilient network, create jobs and connect people to employment, education, and the activities they enjoy.

The signalised pedestrian crossing will boost safety for pedestrians by providing them a safe passage across Burwood Highway.

Cars using the intersection, especially those turning right onto Burwood Highway, will also benefit from the new traffic lights.

Over a five-year period, four crashes were recorded at the intersection including one serious injury.

The upgrade will increase traffic capacity and accommodate future increases in traffic and pedestrian volumes caused by population growth in the area.

Design and planning work on the Burwood Highway, McMahons Road and Clyde Street intersection upgrade is expected to commence later this year.

The *2022/23 Victorian Budget* is also funding planning work for future road upgrades across the state's growing outer suburbs.

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

*"We're making Burwood Highway safer for pedestrians and drivers by providing signalised crossings at the busy intersection with McMahons Road and Clyde Street."*

*"This is part of a significant budget investment across Melbourne to get people home safely and with less delays on metropolitan roads."*

### Quote attributable to Member for Bayswater Jackson Taylor

*"I'm proud that we have listened to feedback from locals and now we're getting on with delivering this critical upgrade to this intersection which will make it safer for everyone and improve travel times."*

### Quote attributable to Member for Eastern Metropolitan Region Shaun Leane

*"These upgrades will make the intersection safer for drivers and pedestrians, while planning for future growth in the area."*