

# Media Release

**The Hon Ben Carroll MP**

Minister for Industry Support and Recovery

Minister for Business Precincts

Minister for Public Transport

Minister for Roads and Road Safety



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## **INTERSECTION UPGRADE MARKS KEEPING BALLARAT MOVING MILESTONE**

The activation of traffic lights at the newly upgraded Gillies and Gregory Street intersection marks the completion of the Andrews Labor Government's first Keeping Ballarat Moving project.

Minister for Roads and Road Safety Ben Carroll said the newly finished project will reduce the risk of crashes and providing safer turning and crossing points for pedestrians.

An important throughfare for Ballarat locals, Gillies Street connects schools, Wendouree train station, recreational facilities, and shopping centres.

The upgraded intersection also delivers better pedestrian access to the upgraded Wendouree Train Station and supports pedestrian movements between Gillies Street and Lake Wendouree.

These traffic signals will significantly improve road safety for all road users, particularly for motorists making right-turn movements between Gregory Street West and Gillies Street.

Pedestrians will also be able to use dedicated crossing points at all legs of the intersection.

Approximately 2,400 vehicles use the intersection every hour during peak times. This number is expected to grow by 60 per cent by 2041.

For further information please visit [regionalroads.vic.gov.au](http://regionalroads.vic.gov.au) and search 'Keeping Ballarat Moving' or call 133 RRV.

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

*"These new lights will reduce the risk of crashes and improve safety for all road users at the Gillies and Gregory intersection."*

*"The new lights will improve traffic flow and ensure the intersection supports local school traffic, as well as people accessing Wendouree train station and nearby shopping and recreational facilities."*

### **Quote attributable to Member for Wendouree Juliana Addison**

*"The activation of the Gregory and Gillies Street lights marks the completion of this Keeping Ballarat Moving project. We are investing \$60 million in key intersections to ensure our roads keep up with our growing population."*