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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# **BUILDING A SAFER INTERSECTION IN KATUNGA**

Works are underway to improve safety at a key intersection in the prime farming community of Katunga, thanks to the Australian and Victorian governments.

The intersection of Numurkah, Sandmount and Hendys roads is being upgraded to two new simplified T-intersections to make it safer and less congested for motorists, as well as reduce the risk of high severity crashes.

The works will see the northern stretch of Hendys Road closed, a new right turning lane added on Numurkah Road, the relocation of the Sandmount Road intersection to meet Numurkah Road and improved signage and line marking.

Speed limits at the intersection will be lowered for turning vehicles to reduce the risk of road incidents and visibility will be improved to make it safer for all road users.

The works are expected to take 14 weeks to complete, weather permitting. Reduced speed limits will be in place for the duration of the works and traffic management will be on-site to direct motorists through the worksite.

There will be times during construction that access to Sandmount Road from Hendys Road and Numurkah Road will be closed. Detours will be in place, with drivers advised to allow extra travel time and follow detour signage and directions from traffic controllers.

The project is being delivered as part of the Australian and Victorian governments' jointly funded Targeted Road Safety Works (TRSW) Program, with \$105.7 million invested to deliver shovel-ready infrastructure projects and urgent road safety improvements in Victoria.

### **Quotes attributable to Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government Catherine King**

*"This project forms part of our ongoing Targeted Road Safety Works Program to reduce road trauma and help save lives across regional Victoria."*

*"We're upgrading this intersection at Katunga to improve road conditions for motorists as they travel through the area, and to help make sure that locals get home safely."*

### **Quotes attributable to Victorian Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne**

*"This intersection upgrade in Katunga will boost safety, improve the flow of traffic and reduce the risk of high severity crashes."*

*“We’re getting on with delivering this upgrade to protect the community, ensuring local families and workers can safely get to where they need to go.”*

**Quote attributable to Member for Northern Victoria Jaclyn Symes**

*“Katunga is in the heart of the Goulburn Valley’s rich farming region, so this upgrade will help our farmers, freight operators and suppliers travel safely and easily navigate the intersection.”*