## **Media Release**

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## BETTER ROADS BLITZ ROLLS OUT ACROSS VICTORIA

The Allan Labor Government is rolling out a major road maintenance blitz to rebuild, repair, and resurface roads right across Victoria – backed by the largest single-year investment in road maintenance in the state's history.

Minister for Roads and Road Safety Melissa Horne today launched the Labor Government's \$976 million road maintenance blitz in Kyneton where crews will begin fixing potholes and upgrading road surfaces across the state.

As part of our Better Roads Blitz, crews will begin delivering hundreds of major maintenance projects between now and mid-2026 on roads – with 70 per cent of all the funding going towards our regional roads.

Over the next nine months, crews will complete thousands of projects on our network, ranging from road rehabilitation and resurfacing, patching potholes and maintaining bridges, installing traffic lights and signage.

The blitz will target the state's busiest travel and trade routes, helping to get millions of people and hundreds of thousands of tonnes of freight to and from their destination smoothly.

The key roads across regional Victoria that will be targeted through this massive program of works include the Western Highway, Princes Highway East, Princes Highway West, Hume Highway and Calder Highway.

While in metropolitan areas, the Mornington Peninsula Freeway, Leakes Road, Normanby Road, the Warburton Highway and Boronia Road will also see upgrades for smoother journeys.

All these roads were prioritised based on expert assessments and community feedback, ensuring that upgrades are focused where they're most needed.

As well as repairing some of our busiest roads, crews will also mow, slash and spray tens of thousands of kilometres of roadsides, inspect and repair thousands of bridges and other structures.

They'll also fix hundreds of sets of traffic lights and electronic signs, clean up graffiti and deliver other maintenance works as needed.

To learn more about the Better Roads Blitz and to find out when crews are fixing roads in your area, visit <a href="mailto:transport.vic.gov.au">transport.vic.gov.au</a>.

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

"We're investing nearly a billion dollars to rebuild and repair the roads that Victorians depend on every single day — from the highways connecting our major centres to the local roads that keep our communities moving."

"The last Liberal National Government cut roads maintenance funding and jobs – we're getting on and delivering the biggest single-year investment in road maintenance in Victoria's history."

## **Quote attributable to Member for Macedon Mary-Anne Thomas**

"Whether it's fixing potholes, resurfacing roads or improving safety, this blitz will deliver better and smoother journeys for drivers right across regional Victoria – keeping our communities connected."

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