Sturt Highway Corridor Upgrade

Start of Works – Stockyard Plain to Kingston-on-Murray

The Australian and South Australian governments have committed \$87.5 million (80:20) to upgrade the Sturt Highway, between Renmark and Gawler, as part of the Roads of Strategic Importance program.

Extending approximately 210 kilometres, this section of Sturt Highway passes through the townships of Nuriootpa, Truro, Blanchetown, Waikerie, Barmera, Berri and Renmark. The Sturt Highway Corridor Upgrade includes a range of initiatives to improve safety and freight efficiency and support regional economic growth.

Upgrades on the section of the Sturt Highway, between Stockyard Plain and Kingston-on-Murray, will include:

- new eastbound and westbound overtaking lanes located at Stockyard Plain;
- new eastbound overtaking lane approximately sixteen kilometres east of Waikerie;
- eastbound rest area upgrade located approximately five kilometres west of Stockyard Plain; and
- eastbound and westbound rest area upgrade at Kingston-on-Murray.

See project map overleaf for site location references.

Major works will commence **mid October 2022 with all works complete in late 2023,** weather permitting. Works will typically be undertaken **Monday to Sunday between 7am and 5pm, weather permitting**.

Overtaking lanes

Works for the new eastbound overtaking lane, approximately sixteen kilometres east of Waikerie, will commence on Monday, 17 October 2022 and be complete in early 2023, weather permitting.

To safely undertake these works, speed and lane restrictions will be in place. Please plan ahead, allow extra travel time and take extra care when workers are on site. Observe speed limits, lane restrictions and traffic controllers when travelling through the area.

Outside of working hours speed restrictions will remain in place, subject to onsite conditions.

Advance notification of works commencing for the new eastbound overtaking lane, approximately sixteen kilometres east of Waikerie, will be provided.

Rest areas

Works for the eastbound rest area, located approximately five kilometres west of Stockyard Plain, will commence on Monday, 10 October 2022. From this time the rest area will be closed until works are completed late 2022, weather permitting.

During this time, two alternative rest areas are available for use, located in the township of Blanchetown and the township of Waikerie.







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To safely undertake these works, speed and lane restrictions will be in place. Road users are asked to please plan ahead, allow extra travel time and take extra care when workers are on site. Observe speed limits, lane restrictions and traffic controllers when travelling through the area.

Advance notification of works commencing for the eastbound and westbound rest areas located at Kingston-on-Murray will be provided.

What to expect

Access for emergency service vehicles will be maintained at all times during the works.

Access to properties will be maintained throughout the works wherever possible, with advance notice provided if there is a need to temporarily restrict driveway access.

Impacts to vegetation has been carefully considered and will be minimised wherever practically possible.

Some noise disturbance can be expected at times while these works are completed, however the work will be managed to minimise disturbance to nearby residents and businesses as much as practically possible.

The Department appreciates your cooperation and patience while these important works are undertaken.

Further information

To keep up to date as these works progress, we encourage the community to register for email updates. Please visit the project website <u>www.dit.sa.gov.au/sturthwy</u> to register.

If you have any questions or would like to speak to a member of the project team, please call 1300 794 880 or email <u>DIT.Engagement@sa.gov.au</u>

Kind regards,

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