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### **MEDIA RELEASE**

### EARLY SITE ESTABLISHMENT WORK STARTS FOR MAJORS ROAD INTERCHANGE

Early work and site investigations to construct the Majors Road Interchange Project will begin next week, as procurement of the design and construction contract continues to progress.

The Australian and South Australian governments are jointly funding (50:50) the \$120 million construction of new on/off ramps for the Southern Expressway at Majors Road.

The project will provide commuters in the southern suburbs with greater access to the Southern Expressway. It will also provide all commuters with improved access to the Glenthorne National Park – Ityamaiitpinna Yarta, Sam Willoughby International BMX Facility and Southern Soccer Facility via the Southern Expressway.

Local South Australian Aboriginal business RAW SA has been engaged to construct project site facilities adjacent to the Riding for the Disabled Association SA site, as well as continue site investigation works to help better understand the underground services and inform the project's detailed design.

The site investigation works are scheduled to start on Wednesday, 1 March 2023, with the construction of site facilities set to commence in the following weeks. All the works are expected to be completed by late April 2023, weather permitting.

To safely facilitate these works, some speed and lane restrictions may be required. Please take extra care when workers are on site and observe speed limits, lane restrictions and traffic controllers when travelling through the area.

Procurement for the interchange's design and construction contract is expected to be completed in mid-2023, with major work expected to start in late 2023 and project completion by the end of 2025.

The proposed concept design, released in late 2022, has been developed to ensure minimal impact to the Glenthorne National Park – Ityamaiitpinna Yarta, with no portion of the National Park to be further isolated from any other area of the park.

The current design also ensures no impact to significant vegetation, Glenthorne Farm or the O'Halloran Hill Recreational Park.

For more information about the project, please visit www.dit.sa.gov.au/majorsinterchange.

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

"This is yet another demonstration of the Albanese and Malinauskas governments working together to get on with the job of delivering the infrastructure South Australians need and deserve.

"This project will deliver lasting road infrastructure improvements while providing a critical local jobs boon, with approximately 245 full-time-equivalent jobs to be supported each year over the construction period.

"We know more work on the books is always welcome news for local construction businesses and I'm thrilled to see the South Australian Aboriginal business RAW SA already engaged on this region-shaping project."

# **Quotes attributable to SA Infrastructure and Transport Minister Tom Koutsantonis:**

"The Majors Road Interchange – an election commitment by the Malinauskas Government – will deliver a wide range of benefits to southern suburbs commuters, national park users, pedestrians and cyclists and local community members alike.

"The construction of site facilities and continuation of site investigation works are important steps in laying the groundwork for the project.

"It's also pleasing to see RAW SA, an Aboriginal-owned and operated business from right here in South Australia, engaged to deliver these works."

## Quotes attributable to Federal Member for Kingston The Hon Amanda Rishworth MP:

"It's great to see construction starting on this important project, which will reduce travel times and improve safety for residents in the South."

#### Quotes attributable to Federal Member for Boothby Louise Miller-Frost MP:

"I am so pleased to see the Albanese Labor Government and the Malinauskas State Government getting to work on this important project so quickly. This project will take traffic off Brighton Road, which will be a game changer for residents in the coastal suburbs of Boothby."

#### **Quotes attributable to State Member for Davenport Erin Thompson MP:**

"It's exciting to see works begin on a project that the community has for years been calling for. The highly anticipated upgrades will make the commute faster and improve access to O'Halloran Hill Recreation Park, BMX and soccer facilities, and Glenthorne National Park."

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