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Work progressing on upgrades to notorious intersections

Close to \$10 million in safety upgrades at two notorious intersections are a step closer with tenders being released for works that will create around 50 jobs and improve road safety.

A new roundabout will be built at the intersection of Stebonheath and Womma Roads in Edinburgh North and the junction of North East Road and South Para Road in Chain of Ponds will also receive an upgrade.

Minister for Infrastructure and Transport Corey Wingard said the works form part of the Marshall Liberal Government's record \$12.9 billion investment in infrastructure across the state.

"In the five years to 2018, there were 35 casualty crashes at the Stebonheath and Womma Roads intersection including four that resulted in serious injuries," Minister Wingard said.

"Between 2015 and 2019 there were five crashes at the junction of North East and South Para Roads with one person killed as a result.

"The Marshall Government is committed to improving our road network to make driving safer and smoother for all motorists.

"We've committed \$5.1 million towards the Stebonheath and Womma Roads roundabout and \$4.4 million for the upgrades to North East Road and South Para Road junction."

The Stebonheath and Womma Roads project will see the existing four-way intersection upgraded to a single lane roundabout, improving efficiency and access for trucks to nearby businesses.

Improvements to the North East Road and South Para Road intersection include improved sight distance when turning right out of South Para Road.

"The Marshall Liberal Government is investing heavily in our roads right across the state after the former labor government left them to rot and disintegrate.

"Our road projects are creating hundreds of jobs for South Australians at a time when we need it most.

"Over the next few years you will see a lot of road work signs across the state and while road works can be a hassle, they're supporting more South Australian jobs and making our roads safer. I thank all South Australians for their patience."

Construction on both projects is expected to start early in the new year with completion due in the middle of 2021, weather permitting.

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