Northern Connector Closures

Night works and detours

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) will be installing new safety treatments and undertaking maintenance of existing line marking on the Northern Connector to improve safety and visibility for motorists. The Northern Connector Project is jointly funded by the Australian and South Australian governments (80:20).

In April and June 2021, the Department trialled different line marking options to determine the most effective line marking for the concrete sections of the motorway.

The Department sought feedback from the community on the visibility of the line marking options which has been used to assist in determining the best long-term line marking solution on the motorway.

It has now been determined that white line marking, along with additional treatments, Audio Tactile Line Marking (ATLM) and Raised Reflective Pavement Markers (RRPMs), on the inner two lanes would be the most effective solution to improve safety and visibility on the Northern Connector. The existing black line marking section will remain in place.

ATLM is a combination of line marking and raised profile thermoplastic 'bumps' that provide additional visibility and safety in low light and wet weather conditions and make an audible noise when driven over, warning road users who may stray outside of their lane. ATLM will be installed on the two centre lanes of the Northern Connector. RRPMs are durable, raised plastic markers placed along the lane lines that provide additional visibility by reflecting vehicle headlights.

Detours and closures - what to expect

The night works are scheduled to commence from 8pm on Monday, 12 December 2022, and will be completed by 6am on Friday, 16 December 2022 (weather permitting). Works will be undertaken each night between 8pm and 6am.

To safely undertake these works, the following closures will be in place.

Northbound carriageway (all lanes) of the Northern Connector will be closed from:

- 8pm Monday, 12 December and re-open at 6am Tuesday, 13 December; and
- 8pm Tuesday, 13 December and re-open at 6am Wednesday, 14 December.

During these night closures, traffic will be detoured via Salisbury Highway, Port Wakefield Road and Heaslip Road (see detour map overleaf).

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Southbound carriageway (all lanes) of the Northern Connector will be closed from:

- 8pm Wednesday, 14 December and re-open at 6am Thursday, 15 December; and
- 8pm Thursday, 15 December and re-open at 6am Friday, 16 December.

During these night closures, traffic will be detoured via Port Wakefield Road and Salisbury Highway (see detour map overleaf).

The Northern Connector will be re-opened to traffic, in both directions each morning in time for peak traffic flows.

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.

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. Every effort will be made to minimise impacts to the community.

The Department appreciates your co-operation and patience while these important works are undertaken.

For more information

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

Kind regards,

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