

Geoff Brock MP Minister for Regional Roads

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A bridge to safe regional roads

Upgrades to a series of bridges and culverts across regional South Australia will commence in September 2022, extending the service life of the structures and improving safety for road users.

The scope of the works includes bridge and culvert strengthening, widening or replacement, as well as upgrades to safety barriers.

Works to commence from September 2022 include:

- Onkaparinga Valley Road: replacement of three existing bridges with culverts. This will include a bridge near Oakbank (over the Onkaparinga River tributary) and two bridges near Balhannah (over Junction Creek and the Onkaparinga River tributary), with works expected to be completed early to mid-2023, weather permitting.
- Strathalbyn Road (near Mylor): the Aldgate Creek Bridge and Leslie Creek culvert will be replaced, with works expected to be completed early 2023, weather permitting.
- Horrocks Highway (near Wilmington): the Little Spring Creek culvert and Spring Creek Bridge will be replaced, with works expected to be completed mid-2023, weather permitting.

In addition to these works, a contract has just been awarded for nine other bridge or culvert upgrades across the Mid North, Adelaide Hills, and Fleurieu Peninsula, with works on these expected to commence in the last quarter of 2022.

There will be some delays for motorists as works commence, so please plan ahead and allow additional travel time. Take extra care when workers are on site, and observe signage and speed limits, lane restrictions and traffic controllers when travelling through the area.

Minister for Regional Roads, Geoff Brock said the upgrades are being delivered as part of the South Australian Rural Roads Package and Bridges Renewal Program (both jointly funded by the South Australian and Australian governments), and the Bridge Stimulus Package (funded by the South Australian Government).

Quotes attribute to Minister for Regional Roads Geoff Brock

The Australian and South Australian governments are continuing to work together to make important improvements to our regional roads.

These upgrades to 16 bridges or culverts will improve safety for all road users and extend the operational life of the structures.

The works will be undertaken at various locations along key roads in the Adelaide Hills, Mid North and Fleurieu Peninsula, with the first of the upgrades to begin next month.