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MEDIA RELEASE

NEW OVERTAKING LANES TO IMPROVE SAFETY ON HORROCKS HIGHWAY

The construction of two new overtaking lanes is the latest step in the Horrocks Highway upgrade project, delivering safer journeys along the key freight route.

One overtaking lane is now open in each direction southbound and northbound just south of Tarlee, with all speed and lane restrictions removed.

The final layer of asphalt has been laid and line marking completed, after some areas of the new lanes were identified as in need of remediation during construction.

Improvements to the Horrocks Highway are jointly funded by the Australian and South Australian governments on an 80:20 basis.

The package of works is delivering infrastructure upgrades along the 245-kilometre section between Wilmington and Gawler to improve safety, connectivity and freight efficiency, while also supporting jobs.

Works include shoulder sealing, pavement rehabilitation, lane widening, sealing of local road approaches, new overtaking lanes and overtaking lane extensions, bridge upgrades, safety barrier, audio tactile line marking on edge-lines and centrelines, and improvements to the Gladstone rail corridor and level crossing.

For more information about the Horrocks Highway Corridor Upgrade, visit www.dit.sa.gov.au/infrastructure/road_projects/horrocks_highway_upgrades.

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

“The Australian Government is committed to keeping our freight industry moving, and all road users safe, through transformational projects like the Horrocks Highway Corridor Upgrade.

“This highway runs through rural communities and is also a popular tourist route. The addition of these overtaking lanes is an important step in getting people to where they are going safer and sooner.

“We are proud to partner with the South Australian Government to invest in this region-shaping project, creating jobs, boosting connectivity, supporting local communities and backing primary producers and our road transport industry.”

Quotes attributable to State Minister for Regional Roads Geoff Brock:

“The new overtaking lanes on the Horrocks Highway just south of Tarlee are a win for road users in the region who have been keenly awaiting the completion of this project.

“Road users travelling along this stretch of road will now be able to make safer overtaking decisions.

“We thank road users for their patience while these important works were being undertaken.

“These overtaking lanes are part of the package of works delivering infrastructure upgrades along the 245-kilometre section of Horrocks Highway between Wilmington and Gawler.”

Quotes attributable to Senator for South Australia Karen Grogan

“Regional South Australians consistently raise the need for important road infrastructure on our country roads.

The Albanese Labor Government is working hand-in-hand with the Malinauskas Labor Government to deliver these important upgrades for regional South Australians, which keep our trucks moving and improve safety.

I'm grateful to Minister King and Minister Brock for making this project a reality.”

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