

Media Release

New Nairne roundabout to improve safety and traffic flow

Major works have commenced on construction of a new roundabout at Nairne that will realign the Woodside Road and Saleyard Road T-junctions with the Old Princes Highway.

The \$13 million project will improve road safety and traffic efficiency by reducing delays for Woodside Road traffic, and cater for future growth in the area.

It will support the continued growth of the region by providing a safer and more efficient link for Woodside and other nearby Adelaide Hills towns to the South Eastern Freeway.

Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Corey Wingard, said the project was part of the Adelaide Hills Intersections Upgrade Initiative, and will support approximately 18 jobs per year during construction.

“The South Australian Government is committed to investing in road and infrastructure upgrades across the Adelaide Hills region to grow regional economies, build stronger communities and create more jobs,” he said.

“Traffic queues and overall user safety at the Woodside Road T-junction with the Old Princes Highway have been an ongoing concern for the Nairne community, especially given the close proximity to the Nairne Primary School.

“This upgrade will improve safety for Nairne Primary School students, as well as other pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.

“As well as a new roundabout, the project will include a new Shared Use Path, upgraded LED road lighting, new asphalt surfacing, line marking and safety barrier”

Since the completion of the Bald Hills Interchange Project in 2016, traffic volumes at the Woodside Road T-junction with Old Princes Highway have increased by approximately 10 to 15 percent. This increase in traffic has resulted in congestion on Woodside Road and queuing over the level crossing located approximately 220 metres north of Old Princes Highway.

During the five-year period from 2015 to 2019, there were seven reported crashes at the Woodside Road and Saleyard Road T-junctions with the Old Princes Highway.

The project is expected to be completed early 2022, weather permitting.

For more information, go to dit.sa.gov.au/infrastructure/road_projects/nairne_intersection_upgrade
