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SAFER TRIPS TO THE FLEURIEU PENINSULA A STEP CLOSER AS DUPLICATION WORKS PUSH AHEAD

Early works for the Main South Road and Victor Harbor Road duplication sections are now underway as part of the highly anticipated \$560 million Fleurieu Connections Package.

Surveying, service location and geotechnical investigations have begun along Main South Road between Seaford and Aldinga, and Victor Harbor Road between Main South Road and McLaren Vale.

Following extensive community and stakeholder consultation on the initial designs, feedback is now also being sought on safety improvements for Victor Harbor Road between Main Road, McLaren Vale and Tatachilla Road and to Willunga Hill.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development Barnaby Joyce said the Australian Government was delivering the infrastructure South Australians need.

"These works will help to connect communities and improve safety on these busy roads," the Deputy Prime Minister said.

"South Australians will also benefit from the economic boost the duplication projects are set to provide, supporting 770 jobs each year during construction while will help drive SA's economic recovery.

"This is another example of our Government getting the job done for South Australians."

SA Premier Steven Marshall said the projects will improve safety and travel times for all road users.

"The Fleurieu Connections Package will benefit thousands of South Australians who live and holiday in this region by providing safer and faster journeys – meaning less time sitting in traffic and more time enjoying what this beautiful region has to offer," Premier Marshall said. "These projects form part of our record \$17.9 billion investment in infrastructure projects across the state, as we build what matters to South Australians."

SA Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Corey Wingard, said hundreds of job opportunities are up for grabs throughout the project.

"We are now reaching out to the community to tell us their thoughts on a preferred solution for Victor Harbor Road between Main Road, McLaren Vale and Tatachilla Road and to Willunga Hill," Minister Wingard said.

"Feedback from those who use these roads regularly is vital to ensuring we get the best possible outcome, so I encourage people to tell us what they think via the survey."

The Fleurieu Connections package includes duplication of Main South Road from Seaford to Aldinga, a '2+1' lane road layout from Aldinga to Sellicks Beach and duplication of Victor Harbor Road between Main South Road and the start of the left turn into McLaren Vale, and the Victor Harbour Safety Package.

Senator for South Australia Andrew McLachlan CSC said additional safety treatments along Victor Harbor Road, including an overtaking lane at Hindmarsh Valley, also form part of the works.

"Detailed design is now underway for the incredibly exciting Main South Road Stage 1 and Victor Harbor Road duplications," Senator McLachlan said.

"A concept design is being developed for Main South Road Stage 2 (between Aldinga and Sellicks Beach) and information will be provided to the community in the coming months with an opportunity to provide feedback.

"This project will completely transform the gateways to the Fleurieu Peninsula for locals and tourists alike.

"The Fleurieu Peninsula is globally recognised for its primary production and is one of South Australia's premier tourism destinations. These roads carry hundreds of thousands of motorists each year and these upgrades will ensure drivers can travel safer and get home sooner."

Major construction works will start on the Seaford to Aldinga section of Main South Road in mid-2022.

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