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LABOR GOVERNMENT SECURES ROAD UPGRADES FOR WYNDHAM

Wyndham residents will soon benefit from two road projects at Palmers Rd/Dunnings Rd in Point Cook and at the Princes Freeway off-ramp at Forsyth Rd in Hoppers Crossing.

Palmers Rd, northbound between Dunnings Rd and Skeleton Creek, will receive a combined bus and transit lane for multi-occupancy vehicles, and traffic lights at the corner of Palmers Rd and Dunnings Rd will be adjusted, allowing buses more time to pass through the intersection.

Palmers Rd is an important and heavily used route that connects the Point Cook community to the Werribee railway line and the Princes Freeway.

The works will improve access to the Williams Landing Railway Station.

The Andrews Labor Government has committed \$3.75 million towards the project, with Wyndham City Council contributing \$3 million.

Traffic flow and delay times will be improved for drivers exiting the Princes Freeway onto Forsyth Rd in Hoppers Crossing, with the Labor Government contributing \$1.9 million to widen the off-ramp to two lanes.

The improved off-ramp will reduce the length of traffic queues, particularly during the evening peak period. The works will also help prevent traffic queues from spilling over onto the Princes Freeway, in turn reducing the risk of rear-end collisions.

In the five year period to the end of December 2014, there were eight crashes at the Princes Freeway off-ramp at Forsyth Road, with one resulting in serious injury.

Quotes attributable to Member for Altona, Jill Hennessy

“The upgrades to Palmers Rd will make it easier to access public transport in the area and save time for the community.”

“Widening the Princes Freeway exit ramp at Forsyth Road will not only improve safety, but also reduce the amount of time spent stuck in traffic”

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