

MEDIA STATEMENT

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Work now underway on \$39 million road safety improvements for Queensland's south west

- South West Queensland motorists, pedestrians and bicycle riders will benefit from over \$39 million in road safety improvements, as part of the Australian and Queensland government's jointly funded Road Safety Program.
- This funding will deliver projects for safety upgrades to the Warrego Highway at Wallumbilla and the Carnarvon Highway in Roma.
- Works are underway and will be completed by mid-2025.

Work is now underway to deliver \$39 million in upgrades to the Warrego Highway at Wallumbilla and the Carnarvon Highway in Roma, which will increase safety for motorists and provide greater protection for vulnerable road users like bicycle riders and pedestrians.

The projects include \$30.238 million to widen 7km of the Warrego Highway (Miles – Roma) west of Wallumbilla, \$5.218 million to improve the Warrego Highway (Miles – Roma) and Wallumbilla South Road intersection in Wallumbilla and \$4.013 million to construct a shared active transport path along the Carnarvon Highway (Roma - Injune), between May Street and Airport Drive in Roma.

These projects are jointly funded by the Australian and Queensland governments on a 50:50 basis under the Australian Government's Road Safety Program, to deliver safety upgrades and improvements.

Quotes attributable to the Transport and Main Roads Regional Director, Southern Queensland Region, Bill Lansbury:

"These projects will support the fast roll out of road safety treatments on rural and regional roads across Queensland, and provide greater protection for vulnerable road users like bicycle riders and pedestrians.

"The Queensland Government is committed to road safety and is matching the investment from the Australian Government by investing \$19.73 million for these projects.

"When completed, these projects will provide safer roads and facilities for families, businesses and industry."

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