

MEDIA STATEMENT

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Planning underway for safety improvements at busy Maryborough–Hervey Bay Road intersection

- The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is planning for a future upgrade of the Maryborough–Hervey Bay Road and Ariadne Street intersection.
- The planning work involves investigating options to improve road safety and traffic flow improvements in response to concerns raised by the community.
- TMR will liaise with the community as part of the process and seek funding for detailed design and future construction of an upgrade.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has commenced planning for a future upgrade of the Maryborough–Hervey Bay Road and Ariadne Street intersection, to improve road safety and traffic efficiency in the area.

The planning work follows community concerns about the intersection and includes traffic modelling, engineering assessments, road design and community input.

As part of the planning process, TMR is seeking input from the community on key issues and priorities for the intersection and nearby locations.

TMR will also consult with adjacent landowners and businesses, road users and Fraser Coast Regional Council before finalising the planning.

The planning work is expected to be complete by mid-2025.

TMR recently implemented a speed reduction on Maryborough-Hervey Bay Road, near St Helen's School, in 2023.

The department will also investigate future transport requirements on other sections of Maryborough–Hervey Bay Road as part of separate planning projects.

To provide feedback on the Maryborough – Hervey Bay Road and Ariadne Street intersection and nearby locations please visit: <https://www.yoursay-projects.tmr.qld.gov.au/maryborough-hervey-bay-road-and-ariadne-street-intersection> or by emailing bundaberg.office@tmr.qld.gov.au or phoning 1300 728 390.



**Quotes attributable to Transport and Main Roads Southern Queensland
Regional Director Bill Lansbury:**

"Maryborough-Hervey Bay Road is a key link for locals and through traffic to the popular tourist destinations of Hervey Bay and K'Gari.

"Community interest in upgrading the Ariadne Street intersection has been ongoing and I'm pleased that planning work is underway to address the safety of road users now and into the future.

"Community input is sought as part of the planning process and people who live, work and travel through the intersection and nearby locations are encouraged to have their say."

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