Proposed Mount Barker Interchange upgrade – part of the Hahndorf Township Improvements and Access Upgrade Project

Background

An upgrade to the Mount Barker Interchange is proposed as part of the \$250 million Hahndorf Township Improvements and Access Upgrade Project, funded by the Australian and South Australian governments on an 80:20 basis.

Why is this upgrade planned?

An upgrade at this location is required to improve capacity, safety and access.

Each day around 36,700 vehicles currently use this interchange. Drivers experience significant congestion and queuing. Without any upgrade, this is expected to get worse as new development continues in the area. This upgrade is also particularly important from a safety perspective. There were 31 crashes at this location between 2016 and 2021. Twenty-four of these crashes involved casualties.

Following the end of the most recent consultation period for the Hahndorf Township Improvements and Access Upgrade Project in mid-December 2021, all feedback is currently being considered.

Investigations and assessment of the broader Hahndorf Township Improvements and Access Upgrade Project are continuing.

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the engagement activities.

Our aim is to the ensure we make the right decision that meets the project objectives and reduces impacts as much as possible.

The upgrade to the Mount Barker interchange is important to support whichever new freeway access for Hahndorf is selected to remove unnecessary traffic from the Hahndorf main street. Have your say on the proposed Mount Barker Interchange upgrade Feedback can be provided on the proposed concept design until 10 March 2022

To provide feedback please:

- Visit the website dit.sa.gov/hahndorf
- Complete an online feedback form on the project website dit.sa.gov.au/hahndorf
- Email us at <u>dit.communityrelations@sa.gov.au</u>
- Call us on 1300 794 880

Key features of the Mount Barker

Interchange

The key features of the Mount Barker Interchange upgrade include:

- a new 3-lane bridge over the South Eastern Freeway for northbound traffic with a dedicated right turn lane for access to the freeway (towards Murray Bridge);
- upgrade and conversion of the existing bridge to accommodate three lanes of southbound traffic with a dedicated right turn lane for access to the freeway (towards Adelaide);
- a new Shared Use Path incorporated onto the existing bridge and approaches;
- upgrades to the existing ramps to and from Adelaide to improve safety and capacity;
- a new signalised intersection at the Adelaide Road and off ramp from Murray Bridge.

See the proposed concept layout over the page. No private land is impacted by this proposed upgrade.

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Next steps

Feedback on the proposed Mount Barker interchange upgrade concept layout can be provided until 10 March 2022.

This feedback will then be reviewed and used to help inform the final interchange upgrade design. Construction is planned to start in 2023. A further update will be provided in the coming months once a decision has been made on the preferred new interchange option to remove unnecessary traffic from the Hahndorf main street.

Contact us

If you have any questions about the project please:

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What are the components of the Hahndorf Township Improvements and Access Upgrade Project?

The Hahndorf Township Improvements and Access Upgrade Project includes:

- a new interchange solution to access the freeway and remove unnecessary traffic from the main street of Hahndorf;
- a set of traffic management measures for the main street of Hahndorf to improve safety and reduce congestion;
- a Shared Use Path from the Hahndorf township to Verdun, providing the missing link of the Pioneer Women's Trail;
- an upgrade to the existing Mount Barker Interchange to reduce congestion and to improve connectivity, safety and access.