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**COMMUNITY URGED TO COMMENT
ON PORT RIVER EXPRESSWAY**

Residents, community groups and businesses in the Port Adelaide region can now have their say on the Port River Expressway project.

Acting Minister for Transport and Urban Planning, Michael Armitage, says community consultation for the project will take place from now until the end of the year.

The consultation process is part of the Environmental Study being undertaken by Brown & Root Services (previously Kinhill).

"Letters seeking comment on the new crossing have been sent by Brown & Root Services to more than 150 business, industry, recreational, environmental and community groups," Dr Armitage says.

"Residents and businesses located near both sides of the bridges' proposed approaches have also been asked to comment."

Dr Armitage says information received from the community will be used in the detailed design of the road and rail link so that the final design will have the greatest benefit to the community.

"All comments will be included in an Environmental Report to be released for public display in November," Dr Armitage says.

Project brochures are available from the Transport SA Port Adelaide Customer Service Centre at 64 Dale Street and the Civic Centre at 163 St Vincent St in Port Adelaide. Interested people can also call the 1300 130 653 information line.

Further information is available on the Internet at www.transport.sa.gov.au/portriverexpressway, or people can express their views on the Government's Internet discussion forum at www.talkingpoint.sa.gov.au .

Construction is expected to start in late 2001 with the project completed by early 2004.

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