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ROAD PROJECTS IN CASTLE HILL TO TACKLE CONGESTION AND CREATE JOBS

The Australian and NSW Governments are joining forces to alleviate congestion in Castle Hill and support jobs.

The Federal and State Governments have committed \$240 million to fix congestion hotspots around Sydney, supporting 1,000 direct and indirect jobs.

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams MP said the funding injection would help deliver improvements for motorists in Castle Hill.

“These congestion-busting road improvements will make all the difference for mums and dads doing the school drop off, and people on their way home to and from work” Mr Williams said. “The improvements will reduce delays and improve travel times without needing to build new roads.

“Since the Pinch Points program started in 2011, we have saved motorists millions of hours per year being spent in traffic.

“It is the local projects that really help to deliver those massive time savings for drivers and make our road network more efficient.

“Importantly, we are accelerating this funding which will get projects started sooner, supporting jobs. The Pinch Points work is part of a joint \$1 billion investment by the Australian and NSW Governments in shovel-ready projects and safety upgrades.”

Work on Intersection upgrades to Showground Road to improve bus priority and access at Showground Road & Carrington Road, Castle Hill will improve intersection capacity to ease congestion and support the Hills Showground Metro station with improved access; improve traffic flow, safety and ease congestion for all road users and improve bus travel time and reliability.

Pinch points are congestion hot spots, usually intersections or short lengths of road at which a traffic bottleneck exists, slowing down the road network.

The Pinch Points program aims to fix these hot spots with small scale work which improve the sites, without needing to build new roads.

Work on the project is being accelerated with construction set to begin from October 2020.

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