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Call to join campaign to fix Oaklands crossing

Marion Council is urging the community to join its campaign to fix permanently the traffic snarls at Oaklands crossing.

Marion Mayor Kris Hanna launched the campaign at the intersection yesterday next to a 12 metre x 3 metre billboard displaying the slogan *Let's Get Oaklands Crossing Moving*.

The Council is calling on the State and Federal Governments to work together to build a separation of road and rail at the crossing, which is at the intersection of Diagonal and Morphet roads, Oaklands Park.

Mr Hanna said more than 41,000 vehicles a day used the crossing and it was not uncommon for motorists to wait up to 20 minutes in peak hour traffic.

"For more than 40 years, Oaklands crossing has been the scene of traffic chaos, long delays and commuter frustration," Mr Hanna said.

"I urge the community to join the campaign and help send a message to those who have the power to fix the crossing."

People can join the campaign online at oaklandscrossing.com.au

In 2012, the State Government released a planning study, which assessed four options to solve the traffic congestion.

It recommended the construction of an overpass to carry trains over Morphet Rd, which at the time was estimated to cost about \$110 million. However, no timeframe or budget commitment was made at the time.

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