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Marion Mayor hails success of Oaklands campaign

Marion Mayor Kris Hanna is hailing the latest success in the Council's campaign to fix Oaklands crossing following the announcement of a new State Government survey into the road and rail intersection.

Mayor Hanna said the survey was an exciting development in Council's campaign to fix the crossing which is the scene of 20 minute delays during peak hour.

"This new opportunity for people to voice their concerns and ideas for improvements underlines the success of Council's campaign to fix Oaklands crossing," Mayor Hanna said.

"Marion's campaign has resulted in a \$40 million commitment from the Federal Government. Additionally, our lobbying led to the State Government calling on the Federal Government to invest \$150 million of savings from the Northern Connector project into Oaklands.

"I urge residents, businesses and commuters to have their say on Oaklands crossing and continue to support our campaign to end 40 years of traffic congestion."

Marion's campaign has highlighted safety concerns with the intersection where SA Police reported 100 collisions between 2010 and 2015.

Oaklands crossing has been listed in the top five most dangerous metropolitan crossings, with rail authorities reporting 18 incidents between 2009 and 2015.

More than 2800 people have joined Marion's campaign to fix Oaklands crossing. The campaign is called *Let's Get Oaklands Crossing Moving.*

DPTI representatives will be at Westfield Marion shopping centre today between 9am and 9pm, and Friday and Saturday from 9am to 5pm.Feedback can also be provided through an online form on the DPTI website or by email to dpti.communityrelations@sa.gov.au

In 2012, the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) released a planning study which recommended the construction of an overpass to take trains over Morphett Rd.

At the time, the project was costed at between \$100-\$110 million.

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