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Marion applauds \$40m Oaklands fix

A \$40 million commitment from Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull towards fixing Oaklands crossing will be applauded by motorists.

Today the Prime Minister promised to help fund a grade separation of road and rail at the crossing, at the intersection of Diagonal and Morphett Roads.

Marion Mayor Kris Hanna said: "The Turnbull Government's announcement is fantastic news for motorists and the wider community".

"More than 41,000 vehicles a day use the crossing and the end is in sight for 20 minute delays during peak hour.

"Marion Council has lobbied strongly for a grade separation. I have spoken to every candidate, including Liberal candidate for Boothby Nicolle Flint and Member for Hindmarsh Matt Williams, about the issue.

"The State Government has no excuse and, should the Coalition be re-elected, needs to get onboard and commit the necessary additional funds towards building the grade separation."

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.

In April this year, Marion Council launched a campaign urging the State and Federal Governments to work together to fix the crossing.

A community rally was held at the crossing in May, which was attended by more than 120 residents.

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