

Key priorities for the 2020–2021 SA state budget



1. Safer roads to reduce deaths and injuries

- 1A. Increase **road maintenance funding** to \$160 million, with an additional \$145 million per year in supplementary funding for the first five years in order to eliminate the backlog and a \$20 million arterial road resealing program for the Adelaide metropolitan area.
- 1B. Construct three overtaking lanes on the **Riddoch Highway** between Naracoorte and Keith together with a further two overtaking lanes between Pt MacDonnell and Mt Gambier.
- 1C. Upgrade the **Spencer Highway** between Minlaton and Maitland together with the Upper Yorke Road between Kulpara and Maitland as priority works in the Yorke Peninsula region.
- 1D. Implement road safety improvements on the section of **Victor Harbor Road** between Mt Compass and Victor Harbor.
- 1E. Fund SA Water’s **service pit cover remediation program** with an additional \$1 million to enable sunken covers to be remediated in a timely manner across the network.

2. A more accessible transport network

- 2A. Ensure adequate resourcing for the roll-out and monitoring of **mandatory real-time fuel pricing** in South Australia.
- 2B. Allocate funding to continue the **On-Demand bus services** in Mount Barker and the Barossa and to trial On-Demand bus services in other regional towns.
- 2C. Establish a **bus shelter fund** to assist councils in providing accessible infrastructure at all identified locations within their respective jurisdictions.
- 2D. Expand the **Bus Stop Management Plan project** to create operational and safety improvements on the public transport network that will improve efficiency, reliability and safety.
- 2E. Fund the **extension of the Seaford passenger rail line** to Aldinga.
- 2F. Develop a corridor management plan for **Main North Road** between Gepps Cross and The Grove Way and prioritise widening the section between Montague Road and Kesters Road to provide three lanes of travel in both directions.

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3. Sustainable energy and transport networks

- 3A. Support **electric vehicles** entering the South Australian market through: government Fleet SA purchases; encouraging private sector purchases; and considering electric vehicles for public transport.
- 3B. Upgrade **Dukes Highway** to accommodate autonomous freight transport and connected vehicle technology.
- 3C. Ensure a consistent level of reliable **mobile coverage along the state's transport corridors**.
- 3D. Investigate the implementation of **intelligent transport systems (ITS)** technology in the road system.
- 3E. Explore reliable **renewable energy** opportunities for the state, including energy storage facilities and other grid firming infrastructure.
- 3F. Explore opportunities for establishing a **hydrogen manufacturing industry** in South Australia, including investment in hydrogen refuelling stations and hydrogen vehicle trials.

4. Support South Australia's visitor economy

- 4A. Provide an injection of funds to the **SA Tourism Commission's marketing and operating budget** and exempt the Commission from efficiency dividends until the tourism industry recovers from the impact of COVID-19.
- 4B. Facilitate future travel to regional South Australia by investing in a network of **fast charging points** across the state, including at Wilpena Pound.
- 4C. Continued investment in improved **information signage for regional tourist spots** that encourages visitors to stay longer and experience more of South Australia.
- 4D. Improve **mobile data coverage in national parks** and other key tourist locations in regional South Australia.
- 4E. Assist local councils to develop and link **cycling trails** that leverage South Australia's reputation as a premier cycling and wine destination.
- 4F. Create a \$20 million **Main Street Makeover Fund** to revitalise regional town centres and attract more visitors.
- 4G. Fully seal the **Strzelecki Track**.