

# MEDIA STATEMENT

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## Flinders Highway works to improve safety

Safety and access improvement works at the Flinders Highway and Woodstock-Giru Road intersection are nearing completion, with a new acceleration lane and upgraded intersection opening today.

Transport and Main Roads Director-General Neil Scales said the upgrades would meet future traffic demand from Drive It NQ and the proposed Lansdown Industrial Precinct, and provide safer conditions for heavy vehicles.

"The intersection upgrades included making the Glenn Road approach wider, allowing trucks some extra space to turn into the side road," Mr Scales said.

"The longer acceleration lane also allows side street traffic greater distance to get up to speed before entering the 110km/h Flinders Highway speed zone."

"Most of the works (including extended culverts, a wider intersection and an acceleration lane) are completed with final works such as upgraded street lighting underway."

Mr Scales said the highway speed limit through Woodstock would remain at 80km/h until the final works were completed early next year.

"We are pleased to be opening the upgraded intersection and extended acceleration lane to traffic today, about two months earlier than originally anticipated," he said.

"It also means the intersection is ready to accommodate traffic for stages one and two of the Drivelt NQ driver education and motorsport facility, which recently secured the final funds required for works."

For more information on the works see [www.tmr.qld.gov.au/projects](http://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/projects).

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