



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Flinders Highway Update**

Continued wet weather has seen additional and continued delays to the Flinders Highway Upgrade project.

In the 90 days since the last update there has been 58 days where the project has experienced rain, as such the contraction programme is now a total 14 weeks behind schedule.

With the change in the weather patterns and the long-term forecast now showing signs of more consistent dry weather, the contractor has been able to book in a sealing date for the current section of the works.

The current section of works between the Cockatoo Drive and Pound Lane/Chapman Road intersection is scheduled to be sealed between December 8-14.

Once the section has been sealed it will be opened to traffic albeit at reduced speed.

With the improving conditions the contractor will commence the pavement works in the Pound/Chapman/Flinders intersection.

These works will be undertaken under traffic control with traffic lights being used while the works are occurring.

Chief Executive Officer Delfina Lanzilli said while the project's grant funding was saving Council and ratepayers a significant amount of money, the conditions of the grant meant that work had to commence through the winter months to meet funding timelines.

"Council and the contractor would like to thank the residents for their patience during the construction works and we apologise for the inconvenience caused," Ms Lanzilli said.

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