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Safety is the focus for new intersection improvements on South Pine Road

- Design is underway for key safety improvements for the South Pine Road and Eatons Crossing Road intersection, Eatons Hill.
- The proposed improvements will offer new safety measures for people walking, scooting, wheeling and riding bikes, and improved road safety for motorists.
- This project is funded through development contributions from the local area for planning, design, and construction.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has begun designing new safety measures to create safer movements for pedestrian, bike riders and other active transport users to cross a highly trafficked intersection on South Pine Road, Eatons Hill.

Situated nearby Eatons Hill State School, the new crossings will improve safety for pedestrians travelling to and from school, while also improving access to the South Pine Sports Complex. It will also support the mobility of vulnerable road users.

This upgrade is being designed to increase sight distance between motorists and pedestrians as well as create separation between bike riders and motorists. New northbound and southbound turn lanes onto Eatons Crossing Road will assist traffic movements through this busy intersection, with more than 37,000 motorists travelling along South Pine Road daily.

Design is likely to be completed in mid-2025 with construction timeframes still to be determined.

Quotes attributable to Transport and Main Roads North Coast Regional Director, Mr Scott Whitaker:

“TMR is committed to providing safe, accessible, and integrated transport solutions that meet the diverse needs of our communities.

“With more than 37,000 motorists travelling along South Pine Road daily, this important project improves safety for school students accessing Eatons Hill State School as well as people walking, scooting, wheeling and riding bikes.

“To reduce the risk of conflicts between motorists, pedestrians, and active transport users, TMR plans to remove or modify the existing slip lanes at the intersection of South Pine Road and Eatons Crossing Road, Eatons Hill.

“These slip lanes offer limited protection for pedestrians, and their removal will be accompanied by the addition of safer pedestrian crossings. These intersection improvements will increase safety by controlling all turning movements and managing traffic flow in the area.

“This project is another example of the Queensland Government’s commitment to keeping Queenslanders safe by rolling out road safety improvements at key locations.”

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