## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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## Short-term closure of New Settlement Road

A 600-metre section of New Settlement Road at Burpengary will be closed for 10 days from later this month, while significant works are carried out for the Bruce Highway Upgrade – Deception Bay Road Interchange.

New Settlement Road will close between Old Gympie Road and Marks Road from 1am on Monday 28 June to 11pm on Wednesday 7 July (weather and construction conditions permitting).

TMR's North Coast Regional Director Scott Whitaker said the short-term closure was required so extensive drainage and constrained roadworks could occur.

"This will allow the construction team to complete the job safely and efficiently while reducing the amount of time the local community will be impacted by the works," Mr Whitaker said.

Mr Whitaker said the project team was working closely with Moreton Bay Regional Council to minimise impacts as much as possible.

"We know these works are inconvenient and thank the local community in advance for its patience and understanding," he said.

"Detours will be in place while the work is completed along this section of New Settlement Road."

Mr Whitaker said traffic would be detoured via Old Gympie Road, Pitt Road and Burpengary Road.

"Importantly, local access will be provided at the western end of New Settlement Road for residents and service providers requiring access to properties located within the closure area," he said.

"Motorists are advised to follow the signs and allow extra travel time."

For more information, visit <a href="https://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/projects/bruce-highway-deception-bay-road-interchange">https://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/projects/bruce-highway-deception-bay-road-interchange</a>.

The Bruce Highway Upgrade – Deception Bay Road Interchange is funded on an 80/20 basis, with the Australian Government contributing \$130.64 million and Queensland Government contributing \$32.66 million.

The project involves providing two new parallel bridges over the Bruce Highway, upgrading two signalised intersections on Deception Bay Road and Old Gympie Road, increasing the length and capacity of existing entry and exit ramps and providing active transport facilities for pedestrians and bike riders.

Construction began in November 2020 and is expected to be completed in early 2023, weather and construction conditions permitting.

The upgrade is estimated to support an average of 270 direct jobs over the life of the project.

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