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Another big win for motorists as T2T extended again

Another major intersection will be included in the Torrens Road to River Torrens upgrade of the North-South Corridor extending the non-stop motorway by approximately one kilometre.

The lowered South Road motorway will now be extended north of the Torrens Road intersection meaning traffic will now avoid six sets of traffic lights and a level crossing.

Federal Minister for Major Projects Paul Fletcher said the extension of the motorway's length, within the existing budget, is a win, not only for the 115,000 motorists and other road users expected to use this section of South Road every day once the project is complete, but also for traffic which travels along Torrens Road.

"Vehicles on South Road will now bypass major intersections with Torrens, Port and Grange roads, as well as the Hawker and Hurtle Street intersection and the Outer Harbor rail line," Mr Fletcher said.

"The motorway will now end to the north of Torrens Road, leaving just over a kilometre and two sets of traffic lights between T2T and the South Road Superway."

South Australian Transport and Infrastructure Minister Stephen Mullighan said the extension had been negotiated within the existing \$896 million T2T budget.

"There will be three lanes in each direction on the lowered non-stop motorway which will be about eight metres below the existing surface of South Road," Mr Mullighan said.

"Avoiding the intersection of South and Torrens roads is predicted to cut another two minutes from average travel times on this section of South Road, increasing the overall average travel time saving for the project to about 7.5 minutes.

"Through a reduction in traffic delays and congestion, the economic and social benefits of the project will far exceed the cost of the T2T, with a benefit to cost ratio of 2.9."

Construction of the T2T began in August and is on-track to be completed in 2018, supporting about 480 jobs a year during construction.

More information on the project can be found at www.infrastructure.sa.gov.au/t2t