



## Australian Flexible Pavement Association media release

### AfPA supports investment in road safety in NSW

The Australian Flexible Pavement Association (AfPA) welcomes the Federal and New South Wales Governments' joint funding package of \$178million for critical road safety upgrades. This investment grows the Federal Government's commitment to NSW roads to over \$420million, working toward zero deaths on the road.

The \$178m will fund 141 projects in metro and regional areas across the 2021-22 financial year and support around 1,000 jobs.

The media release announcing the funding indicates the projects will emphasise road widening, shoulder sealing, rumble strips, median treatments to prevent head-on collisions, barriers to prevent run-off-road crashes and new shared paths.

Lise Sperling, Executive Director for AfPA in NSW, said:

*"Roads are the arteries of the Australian economy, especially when the nation is working to recover from the Covid-19 pandemic. However, economic growth and recovery should never come at the cost of road safety."*

*"It's great to see the NSW and Federal Governments' continued commitment to ensuring people are safe on our roads. AfPA shares the Governments' commitment to zero deaths on the road."*

*"Upgrading around 1,400km of roads works also helps communities grow and access better and more services, and these upgrade works are shovel-ready meaning they provide immediate job opportunities."*

*"What's also important is that these upgrades are built to last, using sustainable materials and building practices which minimise the environmental impact."*

*"AfPA and our industry members looks forward to working with all levels of government to ensure projects are delivered on time, safely and sustainably."*

The Federal Government media release can be seen here:

<https://minister.infrastructure.gov.au/joyce/media-release/road-safety-investment-providing-vital-jobs-across-new-south-wales>