



Australian Flexible Pavement Association media release

AfPA welcomes Key SA Government Appointments

The Australian Flexible Pavement Association (AfPA) has welcomed the new Malinauskas South Australian Government, specifically the appointment of the Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP as the Minister of Infrastructure and Transport, as well as Jon Whelan as Chief Executive of the Department of Infrastructure and Transport, both critical roles to the infrastructure industry.

AfPA has congratulated both leaders on their new positions and expressed excitement to work together to develop the road infrastructure and projects that will benefit South Australian economic and social outcomes into the future.

The new Minister of Infrastructure and Transport, the Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP, has consistently advocated for strong infrastructure investment and a healthy transport system and the importance of local workforces completing local infrastructure work.

Jon Whelan, who has long been a strong supporter of the industry, replaces Tony Braxton-Smith who has recently departed the role, and brings with him a high level of experience and road infrastructure knowledge.

AfPA has welcomed the direction of the government and its new appointments, as it looks to stimulate the local economy and deliver strong infrastructural outcomes for South Australian communities.

Tanja Conners, A/CEO of AfPA, said:

“AfPA and its members are excited to work closely with both the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport and the Chief Executive of the DIT to help safely deliver the infrastructure projects that will underpin the strong economic recovery prioritised by the government.

“AfPA will be engaging the Minister and the Chief Executive in the coming weeks as we seek to discuss how sustainable investment in roads, which prioritise shovel-ready maintenance projects, can quickly deliver jobs and better outcomes for the public.

“We share the new Government’s vision to deliver ‘not just for the next four years, but the next generation’ and look forward to helping build a stronger industry and better infrastructure for the future.”