



Australian Flexible Pavement Association media release

AfPA Welcomes NSW Government 2026 Road Safety Plan

The Australian Flexible Pavement Association (AfPA) has welcomed Transport for NSW's delivery of the 2026 Road Safety Action Plan, designed to reduce incidents and fatalities on the state's roads and help realise the vision for zero trauma by 2050.

The plan focuses on five priority areas aimed at reducing fatalities on NSW roads by 50% by 2030, including: Creating safer country roads and urban places, Enhancing road safety in local communities, Increasing the safety of light vehicles, heavy vehicles and protective equipment, Making safer choices and finally Ensuring the safety of vulnerable and other at risk road users.

AfPA has praised the plan as a welcome framework to ensure the state continues to lower the number of lives taken on Australian roads from its current average of 1,200, toward zero. AfPA has long advocated for measures to reduce road worker fatalities and incidents, including the Separation of traffic and workers, speed advisory signs leading into road works sites and advising drivers when they are over the lowered speed limit.

Lise Sperling, Executive Director, NSW/ACT AfPA, said:

"This plan from Transport for NSW is one that we applaud as a necessary step toward achieving the goal of halving deaths and reducing serious injuries by 30 per cent by 2030. AfPA and its members stand firmly behind the Government and will continue to ensure that the state's roads work efficiently and reliably.

"One of our key interests is the threat posed to pivotal road workers working on-site, who keep our roads safe by completing urgent repair and development work. We believe, prevention can be further enhanced by enforcing restricted speed limits using point-to-point camera technology and mobile speed cameras in and around work sites, as a start.

"Beyond these actions and the positive plan laid out by the NSW Government, there are a number of other ways, outlined in our budget submissions, that we can continue to ensure that roads remain as safe as possible both for motorists and those who work to maintain them."

AfPA Budget Submission: <https://www.afpa.asn.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/AfPA-NSW-Pre-Budget-2022-23-Submission-Final.pdf>