



Australian Flexible Pavement Association media release

Australian Flexible Pavement Association Welcomes QLD Infrastructure Driven Budget

The Australian Flexible Pavement Association has welcomed the Queensland Government's 2022-23 State budget, which sees the announcement of over \$7.3 billion for transport portfolio capital investment to ensure that transport infrastructure keeps pace with population.

AfPA has welcomed the QLD Government's commitment to upgrading existing roads as well as the announcement of new infrastructure projects. The Association is also keen for the Government to continue to strengthen its ongoing commitment to improving safety outcomes for motorists and workers while they seek to deliver this infrastructure.

The new budget, announced by QLD Treasurer Cameron Dick, highlighted several important infrastructure projects, including:

- \$1.065 billion to plan, preserve and construct the Rockhampton Ring Road.
- \$1 billion to construct Cooroy to Curra highway.
- \$662.5 million to upgrade the highway from 4 to 6 lanes between Caboolture-Bribie Island Road and Steve Irwin Way.

AfPA has praised the Government's commitment to ensure that its growing population and rapidly recovering economy are underpinned by an infrastructure network that meets these evolving needs.

Carlos Rial, CEO of AfPA said:

"AfPA and its members welcome the economic recovery focus that the QLD Government has prioritised in its 22-23 budget, we share the Government's passion for a sustainable growth strategy which sees road and transport underpin its success.

"Our industry, however, also welcomes an even greater focus on motorist safety, reducing fatalities and crucially, ensuring that road workers completing essential work to deliver these projects are protected.

"AfPA and its members are excited to get involved in delivering these exciting projects and welcome any opportunity to collaborate with the Government to improve industry health and safety outcomes."

About AfPA

The Australian Flexible Pavement Association (AfPA) is the peak body for the multi-billion-dollar flexible pavement industry in Australia. For over 50 years, AfPA has represented the flexible pavement industry to lead safety, sustainability, innovation, knowledge, and collaboration outcomes unified voice on the advancement of flexible pavement technology for the benefit of all road users.