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Minister for Infrastructure and Transport  
Leader of The Nationals  
Federal Member for Riverina



**The Hon Mark Bailey**

QLD Minister for Transport and Main Roads  
State Member for Miller

**The Hon David Littleproud MP**

Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources  
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**TWO WARREGO HIGHWAY PROJECTS STARTING NEXT MONTH**

Another two projects being delivered under a major Warrego Highway upgrade package are set to get underway this month, following on from the commencement of works on the Dalby to Miles Overtaking Lanes earlier this year.

Funded under the \$635 million Warrego Highway Upgrade Program, the Deputy Prime Minister and Federal Minister for Infrastructure and Transport Michael McCormack said the two projects – Miles Western Access Upgrade and Drillham to Palardo Upgrade – would improve road safety and freight efficiency through regional townships.

“These projects will result in reduced congestion and faster travel times, particularly for freight, which will improve the state’s competitiveness as local businesses shift goods to market,” Mr McCormack said.

Queensland Minister for Transport and Main Roads Mark Bailey said the Warrego Highway was a key link in the national freight network between Toowoomba and the west.

“The upgrades will provide safer access to rest areas, new dedicated turning lanes, seven additional overtaking lanes at four sites, road improvements and intersection upgrades,” Mr Bailey said.

Federal Member for Maranoa David Littleproud said an average of 204 direct jobs will be supported over the life of the three projects.

“Motorists may experience delays once roadworks start, but the end result will be a safer and more efficient Warrego Highway,” Mr Littleproud said.

Construction on the Dalby to Miles Overtaking Lanes started in January 2018 and is expected to be completed within the next 12 months.

The Miles Western Access Upgrade and Drillham to Palardo Upgrade are expected to kick off in coming weeks.

The \$635 million Warrego Highway Upgrade Program is a package of 15 projects funded by the Australian and Queensland governments through an 80:20 funding split.

The Australian Government is providing \$ 28 million to Dalby to Miles Overtaking Lanes, \$8.8 million to Drillham to Palardo Upgrade and \$8.59 million to Miles Western Access Upgrade.

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