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Labor Will Fix Coorparoo's Cavendish Road Level Crossing



A Shorten Labor Government would invest \$107 million to fix one of Brisbane's worst traffic snarls: the Cavendish Road level crossing at Coorparoo.

This crossing is one of Brisbane's busiest. It was listed as one of the South East Queensland Council of Mayors' priority projects in 2016, and earlier this year was again identified as a priority in their People Mass Movement Study.

Governments must work together to fix the crossing, not only to improve safety but also to ease congestion and boost productivity in this growing part of Brisbane.

A Shorten Labor Government would work cooperatively with the State Government and the Brisbane City Council to identify and fund the safest, most cost-effective way to fix this crossing.

After nearly six years of cuts and chaos under the Abbott-Turnbull-Morrison Government, Australia needs a Shorten Labor Government to bring a renewed focus on infrastructure investment.

Today's announcement builds on the other significant commitments we have made across South East Queensland, notably to partner with the Queensland Government to build Cross River Rail.

It is also in addition to the \$158.4 million we have previously committed to the removal two other notorious level crossings on Brisbane's southside: the Lindum level crossing in Wynnum West and the Boundary Street level crossing in Coopers Plains.

Without investments like these in both the region's rail and road infrastructure, the cost of traffic congestion across South East Queensland will increase almost five-fold to \$9.2 billion a year by 2031.

This election is a choice between Labor's plan for better infrastructure, or bigger tax

loopholes for the top end of town under the Liberals.

After six years of Liberal cuts and chaos, our united Labor team is ready.