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Windsor welcomes funding for road black spots

Funding to fix three dangerous sections of road in the New England electorate announced today by the Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Services and Local Government, Anthony Albanese has been welcomed by the Independent Member for New England, Tony Windsor.

Mr Windsor is pleased that the Australian Government will contribute \$355,000 from the Black Spot Program and the Nation Building Package to fix dangerous local roads in the electorate.

“The Black Spot Program has been a very good program to make local roads safer.

These projects funded through the Black Spots Program are recommended by a panel of independent road safety experts as they are viewed as being in need of upgrade to reduce the risk of serious accident that will endanger lives.

I not only welcome the funding announcement today and thank the Government for their commitment to this program but I also encourage the Government to continue to fund the Black Spot Program into the future.

It meets the needs and expectations of the community and follows a transparent independent process too,” Mr Windsor said.

Two projects worth \$205,000 have been approved under the \$4.7 billion Nation Building Package:

- \$150,000 to improve the vertical and horizontal alignment of a short section of Bundarra Road approximately 17km west of Uralla, and
- \$55,000 to install curve alignment markers, curve warning signs and upgrade guide posts on curves on the Gwydir Highway near Gragin Road and Boundary Creek just west of Delungra.

A further project has been approved under the 2009/10 on-going Black Spot Program:

- \$150,000 to install curve alignment markers, curve warning signs and seal shoulders on a short section of Waterfall Way near Wollomombi.

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