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CONNECTING OUR NEW SUBURBS

The Stanhope Government will invest \$11.3 million in new roads at Franklin, Crace and Forde.

The Minister for Territory and Municipal Services, John Hargreaves, said the ACT Government was committed to putting infrastructure in place to support the growing population of Canberra.

“The Well Station Drive project would see the construction of Well Station Drive from Gungahlin Drive to the Harrison 3 Estate access road to support land releases in the suburbs of Franklin and Harrison.

“Well Station Drive is a major arterial road in Gungahlin and divides the suburbs of Franklin and Mitchell. This project will link Gungahlin Drive and Hoskins Street with Flemington Road and the estates of Franklin and Harrison, and will eventually form a major traffic link to Horse Park Drive.”

Mr Hargreaves said the road would also form an essential component in the planned road layout system to service the available land to the southeast of the Gungahlin Town Centre and to the north of the industrial area of Mitchell.

“The traffic exiting Gungahlin during the peak hour will be provided with an alternative route that reduces delays for Gungahlin residents. This link will provide the vital access to Gungahlin Drive Extension from southeast Gungahlin.

“The Forde Access road project will see the design and construction of an intersection, access road and bridge, linking Gundaroo Road to the current development of Forde. The project will provide a secondary access to the suburb of Forde.

“The scope of works will see the design and construction of an access road linking Gundaroo Road to Forde, including a bridge, and associated landscaping components including the area between Gundaroo Road and Horse Park Drive to allow appropriate maintenance of this area for bushfire mitigation.

“The Crace project comprises the construction of two intersections. One intersection is on Gundaroo Drive opposite Crace and the other on Nudurr Drive between Crace and Palmerston. These intersections will provide traffic access for the proposed residential development in Crace,” said Mr Hargreaves.

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