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## Media Release

### **Safer journeys for road users with Wilfred Barrett Drive upgrade complete.**

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Motorists on the Central Coast will benefit from safer and smoother journeys with the completion of safety improvement work on Wilfred Barrett Drive.

Member for The Entrance David Mehan MP, said that as part of its Safer Roads Program the NSW Government invested \$22.5 million to deliver the safety improvement work along a four-kilometre section of the road between Wyuna Avenue, Magenta and just north of Pelican Beach Road, The Entrance North.

“The NSW Government is committed to ensuring all road users make it home safely to their loved ones,” Mr Mehan said.

“The completion of this upgrade is a win for the 14,000 motorists who use Wilfred Barrett Drive every day. It will reduce the risk of crashes on this stretch of road.

“The construction work also had the added benefit of directly or indirectly employing more than 480 people.”

Mr Mehan said major work has now been completed on the project and included a number of safety improvements.

“The work involved widening the road to provide a one metre wide central median and three metre southbound shoulders, and the installation of right turn bays into Pelican Beach Road and Red Gum Trail walking track car park,” Mr Mehan said.

“Transport for NSW also installed safety barriers and audio-tactile line marking, or rumble strips, which provide a noise and vibratory warning to a driver or rider who has drifted from their lane.

“Motorists can now benefit from the newly completed safety improvements, with final finishing works to be completed within three months.

“Transport for NSW thanks the community for its patience during this important work.”