

New Submission to Inquiry into the Increase in Victoria's Road Toll

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Anecdotaly Victoria's road network is one of the best in Australia. As a driver of all types of light commercial vehicles including Patient Transport Vehicles the condition of our roads is very good.

Driver behaviour and training of learners to probationers is where I believe this committee needs to focus their attention.

The continuous changing of road speeds (areas that have been 100Km/h reducing to 80 and then 60 in a matter of weeks without public discussion or published reasoning leads to confusion for motorists. I often find myself distracted ensuring I am keeping up with new speed zone changes.

As an example, the road between O'Grady's Road Kilmore East, and the southbound entry to the Hume Freeway has been reduced from 100Km/h, to 80 and now 60. The road condition and surrounds have remained unchanged in the period where this has changed.

These changes to speedlimit cause frustration to drivers and there needs to be more transparency.

Secondly, road work zones need to be better managed. As a trainer in this area, the compliance of signage, and service providers to legislation and training is negligible. Signs are left out inappropriately, not left in a safe manner, and are often left out inappropriately.

I thank you for your consideration of this submission.

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