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\$24 million for Stuart Highway rail overpass in Alice Springs

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Minister for Infrastructure Peter Styles and the Member for Araluen Robyn Lambley have welcomed the \$24 million Federal Government investment to build a rail overpass on the Stuart Highway in Alice Springs.

“This section is the last remaining level crossing on the Territory’s National Highway network,” Mr Styles said.

“The railway overpass project will replace an existing level crossing with a 40 metre bridge, which will reduce the risk of collisions between rail and road traffic.

“Works have already started on the site of the new \$24.14 million rail overpass on the Stuart Highway.

“This includes clearing in preparation for site offices and stockpile areas, with construction on the overpass to start next month.”

Member for Araluen Robyn Lambley said the investment was wonderful news to ensure the safety and productivity of Alice Springs residents.

"I welcome the news that the Federal Government is funding a rail overpass on the Stuart Highway in Alice Springs - which is the NT's last remaining level crossing on the highway network," Mrs Lambley said.

“The Country Liberals Government is committed to Developing Northern Australia, and it is great to see the Federal Government investing in this plan to create economic opportunities and growth.

"The overpass will not only increase the safety of the area, but it will also help traffic flow for residents and businesses, including freight companies.

“The construction phase will include a detour to allow for traffic while the overpass is being built, and it’s expected to be finished by April 2015.

“It is also great news that local Territory company Ostojic has won the construction contract, providing economic benefits and jobs back into the community.”

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