



Australian Government

Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

Heavy Vehicle Rest Areas

Through the October 2022-23 Budget, the Australian Government is committing an additional \$80 million to improve safety outcomes for the trucking industry by building and upgrading heavy vehicle rest areas to ensure drivers have the facilities they need to rest, recuperate and return safely home.


The Australian Government will work closely with the industry through a Steering Committee which will be made up of long-distance truck drivers, industry representatives and technical experts.

The Steering Committee will share strategic advice, set priorities for heavy vehicle rest area projects and assess heavy vehicle rest area projects against these set priorities.

This commitment will be delivered through the well-established Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program (HVSPP).

Applications for the funding stream will be accepted year-round, and are expected to open to state, territory and local governments from mid-2023.

This Budget follows a repositioning of infrastructure investment to respond to market capacity constraints, creating a more sustainable infrastructure pipeline while continuing to support priorities for Australian communities.



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