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Mayor welcomes Bass Highway commitment

Circular Head Mayor Daryl Quilliam has welcomed the announcement of \$60M from the Federal Government for works on the Bass Highway between Wynyard and Marrawah.

"It is pleasing that both the Federal Labor and Liberal parties have made commitments of \$60 million" Mayor Quilliam said.

"This is on top of the \$40M commitment from the State Government earlier this year."

In early 2015 Council presented a report on the economic importance of the Bass Highway to all levels of government.

"Council has spent a number of years advocating for repairs to the Bass Highway, especially west of Smithton, which is in serious need of attention," Mayor Quilliam said.

"With \$100M in funding now committed to the road, Council is looking forward to being involved in the prioritisation of work.

"I will be seeking a meeting with the Premier and Deputy Premier as Minister for State Growth to discuss the communities priorities for these works."

Mayor Quilliam said there was work to be done to address safety concerns, such as the Boat Harbour School Slip Lane, additional passing lanes and uneven surfaces.

"Council would also like the opportunity for the planned work to look at road alignments which will increase the economic productivity of the area by improving freight efficiency and unlock land potential."