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**Lasseter Highway ready for upgrade**

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Motorists using the Lasseter Highway are set to receive a safer traveling route. The Northern Territory Government has advertised a tender for an upgrade to a 3.7km section of the well-travelled road.

Minister for Transport Peter Styles said the works were vital to help keep Territory road users safe.

“Our government is committed to ensuring the safety of our roads and our road users and we will do our utmost to make this happen,” he said.

“The Lasseter Highway is frequently used by motorists travelling with caravans, tourist buses and road trains.

“The upgrade will widen the road making it safer for visitors and will cause an ongoing reduction in maintenance costs.

“Safer roads for motorists will assist in improving tourism and reducing damage to vehicles. Improving the roads in the Northern Territory is a promise the Giles Government is consistently living up to.

The project is part of the NTG Rural Roads Pavement Strengthening and Widening Programme which aims to improve safety and access on major roads.

The fully funded Northern Territory upgrade tender was advertised online today and will be open for six weeks.

Works are expected to commence in March 2015 and improvements to the Lasseter Highway are expected to be completed in May 2015.

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