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### Miller Electorate

 **Hon. MC BAILEY** (Miller—ALP) (Minister for Transport and Main Roads) (7.10 pm): The south side of Brisbane, which I represent, has a very exciting 2020 ahead. There are a lot of projects underway, and I would like to give the House a quick report on what they are.

At Tarragindi we are seeing the veloway from Gaza Road to Bapaume Road rise up. It is very advanced now and I do not think you can miss it. This bicycle freeway is the last link in an uninterrupted 17-kilometre route into the CBD right through the south side of Brisbane shadowing the freeway. It is very popular and will lead to greater safety on the south side for cyclists and a faster journey, so it is great to see that. There are three bridges involved; 70 Super-T girders have been raised already and are in place. It is good to see.

We are building better roads. The \$400 million upgrade of the Ipswich Motorway is advancing very well. In fact, because it has been so well managed and there have been savings, we have added an extra arm to the south to link with Boundary Road. There is a new cycleway alongside of that, but it will six-lane the Ipswich Motorway. That is great news for motorists coming into and out of the city from the southern area.

We have secured the second oval for the Yeronga State High School as part of the redevelopment of the former TAFE site into a mixed-use precinct. That site is now entirely cleared and, with the school growing again, they have the second oval so they can grow and have that space. As part of the mixed-use precinct we will have a permanent home for the Yeronga Community Centre, which rose out of the floods in 2011 and still does fantastic work on the south side, the Annerley-Stephens Local History Group and the All Gauge Model Railway Club. I thank Minister Dick and his department for his support of community groups there.

Recently we announced that Wellers Hill State School is one of five schools in the Tennis in States Schools initiative, which will see the courts there resurfaced and other improvements so we have sporting infrastructure for our students. The Tarragindi Tigers clubhouse is nearly finished now. It is a fantastic project and there has been a huge effort from the local community, with \$150,000 from the Palaszczuk government as the base they worked from. They have added a huge amount of value themselves. I really look forward to that opening. This club had two teams when I was the local councillor and now they are one of the biggest clubs in Brisbane. I cannot speak more highly of them.

The Souths Rugby Union Club received \$75,000 for their field upgrade, which has been very helpful. We got a new field in place for the Western Magpies AFL at Chelmer for the 2019 season, and \$150,000 made the world of difference out there for AFL players. I am really glad to see that. I was very happy to sponsor the Graceville Hounds touch football competition over the summer.

We have koala exclusion fencing in next to the South East Freeway. That has been fantastic to keep koalas safe. In relation to station accessibility upgrades for Fairfield, the designs are out. People have been very positive about that and we will do Yeronga as well.