

**DID YOU KNOW** | The Calder Freeway Kings Rd interchange is a \$62 million project.

# Push for freeway U-turns

Group backs VicRoads draft plan for safer traffic until permanent solution is available

**Transport | Kelly Sammut**

THE Calder Action group has supported a VicRoads draft proposal to allow U-turns on the Calder Freeway until a more permanent interchange can be built.

The group, made up of Sunbury and Macedon Ranges residents, posted the proposal on its website this month

hoping it will curb some of the dangerous practices until a more permanent solution is possible.

The proposal also includes an acceleration lane to allow U-turn vehicles to reach freeway speed, a lane closure to prevent city-bound traffic turning on to Calder Park Drive and a lane closure to prevent cars merging into city-bound traffic from Organ Pipes

National Park. Group president Russell Mowatt said national funding for a possible interchange at Calder Park Drive would not be available until at least 2014.


"In the interim we can't be seen to be sitting on our hands; we need to ensure there's safety there," Mr Mowatt said.

"You've got people from Bendigo

doing 100km and people coming 10km."

He said the VicRoads proposal draft that would be put forward for funding from the next budget.

Details: calderactiongroup.com

 **What do you think of the proposal? Tell us at [sunburyleader.com.au](http://sunburyleader.com.au)**

## Devices don't even work

I AM appalled at the fact that our taxes have been used to install useless equipment to check speed on the city-bound side of the Calder Freeway at the Diggers Rest exit.

If they were in working order I would not mind so much, but they've not been

working for more than 12 months and I'm sure that many will agree with me that this is a waste of taxpayers money.

So, to the powers that be, please see that this equipment becomes operational soon and serve the purpose that it was intended for.

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