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NEW TRAFFIC CAMERAS OPERATIONAL

Tony Gill, Director of Roads ACT, today announced that traffic cameras at four locations will shortly become operational.

“Last year, the Government announced the further expansion of the ACT safety camera program, with the introduction of fixed speed cameras on the Federal, Barton and Monaro Highways and the Tuggeranong Parkway,” said Mr Gill.

“On 21 April 2008 the Government also announced that large “NSW style” warning signs would be installed at these fixed speed cameras sites. These signs are now in place and commissioning of a further group of cameras has been completed.

“As a result, cameras on the following sites will be operational from Monday 9 June 2008:

- Barton Highway, both directions, between Curran Drive and Gold Creek Road
- Barton Highway, both directions, between Gungahlin Drive and Ellenborough Street
- Monaro Highway, northbound, between Lanyon Drive and Sheppard Street
- Monaro Highway, southbound, between Mugga Lane and Isabella Drive

Mr Gill said that further media releases will be issued prior to additional sites becoming operational.

Fixed speed cameras are already in operation at:

- Tuggeranong Parkway, both directions, near the Cotter Road Overpass; and
- Federal Highway, southbound, approaching the Antill Street roundabout.

“Speed is a major contributor to the incidence and severity of traffic crashes in the ACT. Speeding dramatically increases braking distances, increases the seriousness of injury and decreases the opportunity to avoid a crash.

“The new midblock speed cameras have been introduced as a highly visible measure to improve compliance with speed limits across the whole network. They have been targeted on high volume, higher speed roads where crashes can have major ramifications.

“These major roads are already declared sites for mobile speed camera van operations.

“Only speeding motorists should be concerned about speed cameras,” concluded Mr Gill.

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