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Electrification Steams Ahead

Local Member Tony Piccolo MP has welcomed the announcement that expressions of interests have been called for the electrification of the metropolitan train lines, including the Gawler to Adelaide line.

Mr Piccolo said the announcement honours a commitment made by the Rann Labor State Government to revolutionise public transport in the Greater Adelaide region.

"The calling of expressions of interests makes the project very real" said Mr Piccolo.

"It's no longer a case of if or when, it's right now"

Mr Piccolo said the electrification of the line combined with new trains and carriages will bring our train system into the 21st century"

"Trains have suffered from a lack of investment for many years"

"The announcement means that train commuters from the Light electorate can soon expect faster, cleaner and more regular services"

"While the opposition nit picks around current timetables the state government has been busy building a new rail system"

"By 2013 new trains will be travelling on the new electrified train lines"

"We all win from this major investment"