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The Secretary
Legislative Council Traffic Congestion Committee
Parliament of Tasmania
3 Parliament House
HOBART TAS 7000

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have a very simple suggestion that would help alleviate quite a bit of the hold up for Residents/visitors trying to enter into South Hobart via Davey or Macquarie Streets on Week day mornings between the hours of 7am and 9.30am. I am regularly one who has to suffer through this nightmare. It is not only traffic from the Southern Outlet getting into the city that have issues but many Residents/Visitors to South Hobart travelling in the opposite direction.

At this time of day, traffic coming up Davey Street (right hand lane) is often backed up down to Antill or sometimes down as far as Molle Street and further particularly if there has been an accident or breakdown which causes grid lock in all streets. The centre lane from Molle Street upwards (2nd right) which would normally be directed down the Southern Outlet could be used for traffic continuing up Davey Street then freeing up the right hand lane for traffic wanting to enter into Macquarie Street.

The intersection at the Southern Outlet and Davey is often blocked at that time of morning not allowing the traffic to get back into Macquarie Street or continue up Davey because there is only one lane for both.

There is very little traffic heading out of town toward the Southern Outlet at this time of day and the left hand lane is sufficient for this traffic during this time frame.

All it would require is writing on the road in this lane -

DAVEY ST & SOUTHERN OUTLET TRAFFIC
BETWEEN 7.00 TO 9.30AM
MONDAY TO FRIDAY

1 between Molle & Antill Sts 2nd between Antill & Southern Outlet (probably just up from the Globe Hotel)

Writing on the road is often seen on Expressways everywhere and certainly here in Hobart guiding traffic into correct lanes exiting the Tasman Bridge heading to Airport/Bellerive.

There would also need to be a slight alteration to the lines nearing the Southern Outlet Intersection.

I'm sure if the Committee were to spend some time in this area during the above times they would agree that this is a problem and could very easily be resolved at a very minimum cost.

I am a concerned resident with over 50 years driving experience many of those years travelling for work and would be happy to speak to the committee if my proposal is not entirely clear.

Yours faithfully,

ANN LOWE.