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RACT looking forward to new measures to reduce traffic congestion

RACT's Chief Member Experience Officer, Stacey Pennicott, said that today's traffic snarls in and around Hobart would hopefully reduce once the Government's new congestion busting measures are implemented.

"After years of lobbying from the RACT, the Government has committed to introduce park and ride facilities in the Kingston area and also for a Derwent River Ferry trial between Sullivans Cove and the Eastern Shore," Ms Pennicott said.

"Today's traffic jams in and around Hobart show why these measures are needed more than ever. With more students heading back to school this week, the problems will only continue to get worse.

"We're looking forward to the park and ride service commencing shortly from Firthside, with another service from the Fork in the Road due to commence later in the year. The Derwent River Ferry tender closed last month and indicative dates in the tender documents suggest the service could be up and running as soon as late March or early April.

"These are great initiatives that could go a long way to busting congestion on our roads and we encourage the Government to act quickly before the problems get even worse."