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Stick with the plan on Bridgewater Bridge

The RACT has called on the Government to “stick with the plan” on the proposed new Bridgewater Bridge.

“Replacing the Bridgewater Bridge, a critical piece of infrastructure that supports freight transport and travel between Hobart and Launceston, has been a funding priority for the RACT for a number of years,” RACT Group CEO Mark Mugnaioni said.

“Now that funds have finally been secured for it, they should be quarantined for that purpose and not spent elsewhere.

“This isn’t an either-or discussion.

“Over coming months it is likely that there will be significant additional funds made available by both the State and Federal Governments for transport infrastructure, as part of the COVID-19 economic recovery.

“The RACT will be using that opportunity to lobby for additional funds for Tasmania’s transport network, and we urge all stakeholders, including local government, to do likewise.

“Robbing Peter to pay Paul is not the solution to southern Tasmania’s transport challenges.”