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Traffic driving you mad? RACQ wants to know where

RACQ has called on motorists to name and shame Queensland's worst roads for traffic delays as part of its annual Red Spot Congestion Survey.

Club spokesperson Lauren Ritchie urged drivers to vent their frustration and reveal the most congested roads, intersections, and level crossings to help drive change in their local area.

"Whether it's your regular route to work, the school run bottleneck or a local intersection where the traffic lights take too long to change, we want to know how these pinch points impact your journey," Ms Ritchie said.

"Locals are really in the driver's seat when it comes to identifying unnecessary delays on our roads - they know if congestion's become worse over time or if it's a new traffic hot spot slowing them down.

"Lost time in traffic impacts our productivity and robs us of time spent with family and friends so tell us about the roads which are holding you up. We'll then send the results directly to the authorities and urge them to prioritise upgrades or improve conditions in these 'red spot' areas."

Ms Ritchie said RACQ received more than 2,700 responses to the survey last year, identifying 517 congested roads across the State.

"The Pacific Motorway is often the most complained about road and using this survey we've successfully pushed for upgrades from Daisy Hill to Eight Mile Plains – there's also \$1 billion in State and Federal funding on the way to improve the stretch from Daisy Hill to the Logan Motorway," she said.

"From the Gold Coast to Cairns many other roads shamed in 2020 were awarded funding for upgrades, including six of our top 10 worst offenders, so it really does pay to have your say.

"The survey only takes a few minutes and participants go into the draw to win one of two, \$250 EFTPOS gift cards."

Queenslanders could have their say in RACQ's Red Spot Congestion Survey until 4 March 2021 at www.racq.com/redspot.

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