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RED LIGHT AND SPEED CAMERA TO BEGIN OPERATION

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An integrated red light and speed camera will begin operation on the Stuart Highway and Jenkins Road intersection tomorrow, after safety concerns were raised by local residents earlier this year.

Minister for Transport Peter Styles said the Country Liberals Government took concerns of the community seriously and after the issue had been raised took action to rectify the problem.

"We received reports by members of the public of drivers' running red traffic lights and other risky driving behaviours at the Jenkins Road / Stuart Highway intersection," Mr Styles said.

"In consultation with the Northern Territory Police, Fire and Emergency Services, and the Department of Infrastructure, we deemed it would be appropriate to install both the red light and speed camera.

"As part of safety initiatives, the speed limit was reduced from 110km/h to 100km/h one kilometre south of the intersection, through to the set of lights on the Arnhem Highway intersection, earlier this year.

"The reduced speed limit and the placement of red light speed cameras will address poor driver behaviour and see a safer Territory."

The camera will record both speed and vehicles running the red light and motorists should be aware that fines will be issued for infringements.

Mr Styles reminded all residents to drive safely, obey all road rules and drive to the road conditions.

"At this time of year we tend to see people driving further distances to be with family and friends at Christmas," he said.

"This can mean at times there are more cars on the road – it's important to be vigilant and drive safely so we can all enjoy a safe and relaxing Christmas break."

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