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# Tonkin Gap Project and Associated Works

## Construction Update

**This update contains important information about upcoming works near you. Works below are anticipated for July but are subject to change due to the wet weather. We will also be required to work on some Sunday's to ensure works progress. Up to date information will be available through the Main Roads website and our Tonkin Gap Facebook page.**

## You're invited – Community Open House Event

Come and visit the design, construction and environmental teams from the Tonkin Gap Alliance. You will have the opportunity to see the latest concept designs for the project and ask any questions you might have, such as upcoming works in the area.

**When:** Wednesday, 4 August

**Where:** Bayswater Drill Hall, Cnr Murray and, Crowther St, Bayswater WA 6053

**Time:** Drop in anytime between 3pm until 7pm

### 1. Tonkin Highway Roadworks

We are continuing works along Tonkin Highway this month. Please drive carefully and observe the signage on the road. There is potential for longer than usual travel times and we encourage road users to plan ahead. For detour maps and exact dates please visit the 'Roadworks' page at <https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/tonkin-gap#roadworks>

#### Night works – Tonkin Highway

From early July, our crews will be working between 7pm and 5am along Tonkin Highway between Dunreath Drive and Hepburn Avenue. Intermittent lane and ramp closures will be in place during the works.

#### Tonkin Highway long-term temporary lane reduction

From late July you will see further temporary traffic changes along Tonkin Highway to facilitate rail-enabling works for Morley-Ellenbrook Line. These changes will allow us to remove and rebuild Broun Avenue bridge, build new rail bridges over Morley Drive, new pavements, drainage basins, concrete barriers and relocate underground services.

Tonkin Highway will be reduced to two through lanes, in both directions between Reid Highway and Collier Road until late 2022. Other changes include additional dedicated lanes between interchanges, speed reductions and a new road alignment.

Keep a look out for more information on these changes in the coming weeks.

## 2. Dunreath Drive to Great Eastern Highway

Earthworks and service relocations will continue to upgrade the new Great Eastern Highway loop ramp and widen Tonkin Highway in this area. You may notice more construction vehicles in the Belmont area, and we thank you for your patience.

### Clearing

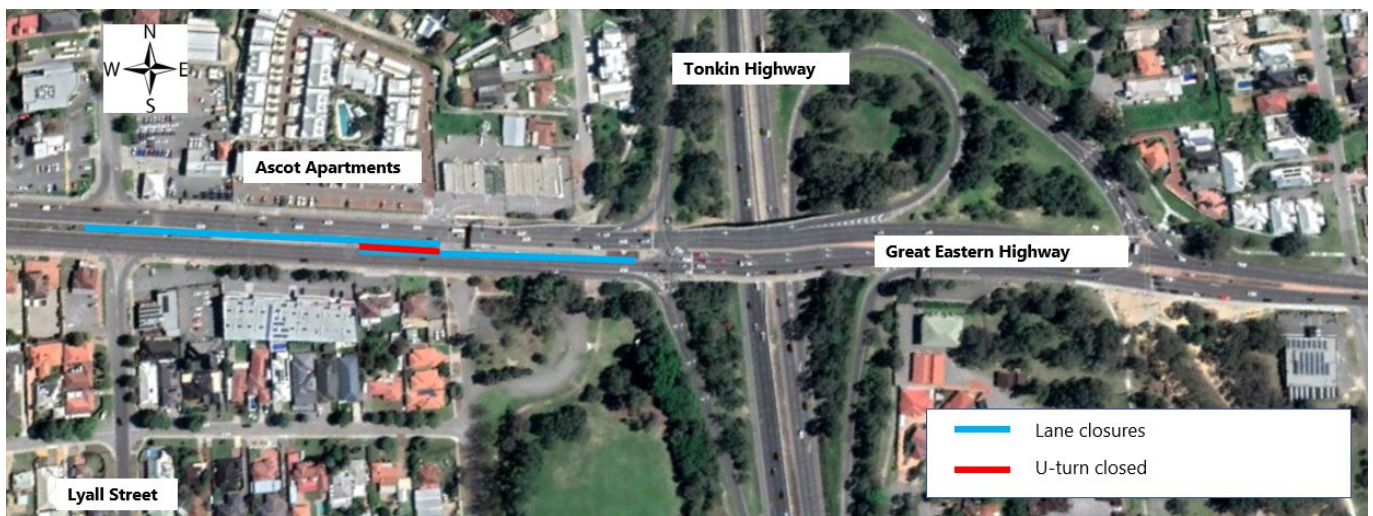
In July we will be clearing vegetation along Tonkin Highway southbound from Great Eastern Highway to Dunreath Drive. During the clearing, mulching and removal of topsoil during the coming weeks, there will be an increase in dust. If you live nearby to the clearing area, we recommend that you cover your pool and any backyard furniture where possible. We will minimise the impact of dust as much as possible with dust mitigation strategies including water carts.

### Services works

- **Water Corporation – Great Eastern Highway**

Water Corporation will continue working on Great Eastern Highway westbound to relocate water pipes between Lyall street and Tonkin Highway.

From mid-late July Water Corporation will also start work on Great Eastern Highway eastbound. Lane closures in each direction will then be in place between Lyall Street and Tonkin Highway and the U-turn on Great Eastern Highway, after Lyall Street, will not be permitted. However, the right turn coming westbound into the Ascot Apartments will be maintained. Some night works will be required initially. Works will continue in this area until late-August.



Stage two Water Corporation works – from mid- July

- **Telstra – Great Eastern Highway**

Telstra will continue to install new service equipment along Great Eastern Highway between the on-ramp to Tonkin Highway southbound and Lyall Street. Majority of works will occur Monday to Friday between 7am and 7pm, however some night works may be required.

- **Vocus – Victoria Street pedestrian bridge**

To prepare for the upgrade to Victoria Street pedestrian bridge, Vocus will be relocating its assets across Tonkin Highway, near the current Victoria Street pedestrian bridge. Works will occur at night on 5 and 6 July (subject to weather conditions) to ensure the safety of workers tracking the drill under Tonkin Highway.

- **ATCO Gas – Wright Crescent and Hardy Road**

ATCO gas will be working at night at the end of Wright Crescent and Hardy Road in Bayswater to install a new gas main across Tonkin Highway. Works will occur between 7pm to 5am in early July. ATCO Gas will communicate specific dates to nearby residents.

### 3. Redcliffe Bridge

Construction of the pile caps and piers will continue throughout July. In addition, we will continue pouring of the bridge segments. When we need to do large concrete pours, we will start from 4am and may work past 7pm. We will notify neighbouring residents ahead of this work.

### 4. Dunstone Road to Guildford Road

Throughout July, our team will continue to excavate bridge footings and abutments, and start construction of piers, concrete footings and abutments for the Dunstone Road bridges. We will sometimes need to start work before 7am and finish after 7pm.

We will also continue earthworks for ramps and new collector-distributor lanes between Dunstone Road and Guildford Road, as well as drainage installation and further PSP underpass construction

### 5. Guildford Road and Railway Parade

The focus for July is pouring bridge footings, pier and abutment construction, concrete barrier removal, underpass construction and construction of the Guildford Road ramps and new lanes. Keep up to date on the Main Roads website and on road signage.

#### Railway Parade bridge works

There will be intermittent closures of Railway Parade to facilitate concrete pours of the bridge footings.

#### Guildford Road bridge works

From late-July, we will shift traffic slightly south on Guildford Road to allow for construction of the Guildford Road bridge piers. To do this, we will be working at night to install temporary traffic barriers. Lane closures will be in place during night works.



*Guildford Road bridge piers*



*Temporary Guildford Road ramp*

#### Guildford Road ramp works

To continue building the temporary pavement and switch traffic onto the new ramps, we will be working at night on Guildford Road on and off-ramps from Tonkin Highway.

From 29 June, the ramps will close intermittently for approximately two weeks with a detour in place. Visit the website for detour information.

## 6. Noise walls

Extensive noise modelling has been undertaken during the project design phase for the Tonkin Gap Project. From the noise modelling we have identified some areas on Tonkin Highway, between Dunreath Drive and Guildford Road, where noise walls are required. This month we will commence noise wall consultation with Wyatt Road residents. Construction of noise walls is expected to commence mid-late 2021.

## 7. Morley-Ellenbrook Line rail-enabling works

As part of the rail-enabling works for METRONET's Morley-Ellenbrook Line we will continue to work in the median of Tonkin Highway from Marshall Road to Collier Road.

In July, works will include construction of deflection walls, sheet piling and earthworks in the median. At times you may feel vibrations and hear noise from these works. Please contact the project team if you have any concerns.

### Southern Dive construction near Railway Parade

We have shifted traffic slightly east between Railway Parade and Collier Road and have started construction of the dive structure. Our team have completed the test piles and over the next few months will continue piling and earthworks.

### Broun Avenue bridge works

Construction is well underway on both sides of Broun Avenue, and in the median of Tonkin Highway, to prepare for a new bridge over Tonkin Highway. The new bridge is needed to facilitate the new Morley Station which will be built in the Tonkin Highway median and form part of the new Morley-Ellenbrook Line. Over the next month you will see further clearing near Addlestone Reserve, construction of a temporary footpath, and our site compound near Wotton Reserve. A Pedestrian and Cyclist detour will be communicated soon. You may notice more construction vehicles in the Morley area, and we thank you for your patience.

### ATCO Gas services works

ATCO Gas will be working at night near Benara Road and Broun Avenue in Bayswater to relocate a gas main across Tonkin Highway. Works will occur between 7pm to 5am in mid-July. ATCO Gas will communicate specific dates to nearby residents.

### What can I expect?

- Works and vehicle movements may be noticeable across all areas.
- Noise and vibration management measures are in place, including use of the quietest equipment reasonably available.
- High noise level equipment will be located away from residential areas, and noisiest activities scheduled to take place earlier in the night.
- Works will be in accordance with a noise management plan approved by your local government authority.

### For more information on Tonkin Gap

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### For more information on the Morley-Ellenbrook Line

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*Works for Southern Dive structure*