**New Fitzroy River Bridge Project Overview**

Main Roads has contracted the Fitzroy Bridge Alliance to build the new bridge over the Fitzroy River to replace the old bridge which was damaged beyond repair as a result of Ex-Tropical Cyclone Ellie in January 2023.

The bridge is on the Great Northern Highway near Fitzroy Crossing and is the only all-weather connection between Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

The bridge and road approaches (on the eastern side of the Fitzroy Crossing townsite) sustained significant damage, with the 170m long bridge damaged beyond repair and about 1km of road washed away or badly damaged, cutting access to Aboriginal communities east of Fitzroy Crossing as well as the East Kimberley and Northern Territory.

The Alliance will start construction of the new bridge in May 2023, targeting a partial opening of the bridge by mid-2024, with project completion by end 2024.

To enable the bridge and associated works to be completed in the shortest possible timeframe, we are seeking suppliers and sub-contractors who have the expertise and capacity to assist the Alliance deliver this project.

The project scope includes:

* Construction of a new two-lane bridge over the Fitzroy River on the same alignment as the existing bridge
* Provision of a pedestrian pathway as part of the new structure
* Construction of bridge approaches to connect the new bridge to the existing Great Northern Highway
* Construction of flood and scour protection on the new bridge approaches
* Protection, relocation and modification of utility services required for the construction of the Works
* Establishment and rehabilitation of material pits for the Works
* Demolition of existing Fitzroy River Bridge, and
* Removal of existing temporary crossings at the completion of the new bridge.

Building the infrastructure however is just a part of the project. The Alliance is committed to working with the local community to provide employment and training opportunities, as well as support local business. If your business is aligned to our principles of supporting the Fitzroy community, we encourage you to submit your expression of interest to work on the New Fitzroy Bridge Project.

The Fitzroy Bridge Alliance comprises BMD Construction, Georgiou and designers BG&E, in partnership with Main Roads.