

February 2024

# Tonkin Gap Project and Associated Works

## Construction Update

**This update contains important information about upcoming works near you. Works below are anticipated in February but are subject to change. Some works will need to be undertaken at night and on Sundays. Please drive carefully and observe the road signage. Up-to-date information will be available through the Main Roads website and our Tonkin Gap Facebook page. If you have any concerns during the works, please call 138 138 (24 hours).**

### Tonkin Highway weekend closures for Malaga footbridge installation

As part of the METRONET Morley-Ellenbrook Line works we are building a new arch footbridge over Tonkin Highway to provide safe access for pedestrians and cyclists from the residential areas west of Tonkin Highway, to Whiteman Park, and to Malaga Station.

To install steel footbridge arch segments and the bridge deck there will be two full weekend Tonkin Highway closures between Reid Highway and Hepburn Avenue. The first Tonkin Highway closure is from the night of 8 March to the morning of 11 March to install bridge arch segments. Specific times and detour maps will be provided on the Tonkin Gap website and Facebook page closer to the date. Dates are subject to change.



*Malaga footbridge construction*

Another full weekend closure to install the bridge deck is planned for early April and further details will be provided in the March Construction Update.

In the lead up to these closures works continue this month with early morning (3am) concrete pours for the abutments as well as backfill works. Vibrations, dust and noise may be noticeable during these works.

### Tonkin Highway lanes now open and finishing works wrapping up

Applying the final asphalt layer on Tonkin Highway between Collier Road and Dunreath Drive started last year and is continuing to enable completion of the northbound and southbound lanes.

Once all asphaltting and finishing works are complete the speed will increase to 100km/h.

**Reminder** - as works continue for METRONET Morley-Ellenbrook Line the 80km/h will remain in place on Tonkin Highway between Collier Road and Hepburn Avenue until mid-2024. The reduced speed limit is in place to provide a safer driving environment for road users with reduced lane widths and to allow construction works and vehicles to enter and exit the highway safely. Please continue to drive within the speed limits, we want to keep you and our workers safe.



*All lanes running on Tonkin Highway*

## Principal Shared Path finishing works

Finishing works and heritage sign installation continue this month on the Principal Shared Path adjacent to Tonkin Highway northbound between Stanton Road and Collier Road. It's great to see cyclists, pedestrians and other path users enjoying the new connection.

## Shared path near River Road to open soon

We plan to have the shared path adjacent to River Road open this month that will provide access to the Mooro-Beeloo underbridge area. Fencing is being completed for the safety of visitors to the soon to be opened underbridge area. Please follow traffic management that will be required intermittently to complete these works.



*Cyclists enjoying the new PSP*

## Mooro-Beeloo bridge announced as new name for Redcliffe Bridge



*Mooro-Beeloo bridge*

In December, the Minister for Transport, Rita Saffioti and Federal Member for Perth, Patrick Gorman, announced the new name for the Redcliffe Bridge, now known as Mooro-Beeloo Bridge.

The name Mooro-Beeloo acknowledges the two Noongar groups who lived on either side of the river prior to colonisation. The northern side of the Derbarl Yerrigan (Swan River) in Bayswater was known as Mooro country. The southern side in Belmont was known as Beeloo country. Using both names separated by the hyphen was recommended and supported by the Traditional Owners as a fitting acknowledgement of both communities, linked by the bridge.

## Great Eastern Highway finishing works

Finishing works on Great Eastern Highway are progressing well with brickpaving and irrigation works underway. Resurfacing works will be completed at night in mid-February. We thank you for your patience while we complete these works.

## Davis Street cul-de-sac finishing works

There will be finishing works this month to complete the cul-de-sac works. If any intermittent closures of driveways are required, we will communicate this directly to impacted properties.

## Selby Park

Irrigation installation is progressing with planting of jacaranda trees to take place this month. Once established, these trees will provide shade and enhance the park's appearance.

## Loop cutting works for services under asphalt

Loop cutting works will continue at night on Tonkin Highway between Collier Road and Dunreath Drive and on Great Eastern Highway between Central Avenue and Moreing Street. There will be noise during these works, including the use of an asphalt saw. We understand that noisy work can be disruptive and apologise for the inconvenience.

## METRONET Morley-Ellebrook Line

### Morley Station

#### Multi-storey carpark

All suspended slabs and columns for the METRONET Morley Station multi-storey carpark are now complete, with drainage and services works starting this month. The retaining wall continues to be built which extends around the perimeter of the existing drainage basin. MELconnx contractors will continue working in this area.

#### Wotton Street/Embleton Avenue intersection

This intersection has been upgraded and will provide connection to the new multi-storey carpark. We will now finish building the footpath adjacent to Wotton Street.

#### Broun Avenue / Embleton Avenue intersection

Western Power completed relocation works of the overhead services in January. An overhead traffic signal mast has also been added ready for when the intersection opens. We will now start rebuilding the lanes and turning pockets. Lane closures and night works will be required for these works.



*Broun/Embleton intersection works*

### Out of hours works

There will be asphaltting, water blasting, line marking, finishing works, landscaping and traffic switches at night and on weekends at various locations across the project. Ramp closures will be required for some of these works.

Locations include:

- Tonkin Highway between Collier Road and Dunreath Drive
- Great Eastern Highway in both directions between Central Avenue and Moreing Street
- Broun Avenue / Embleton intersection
- Morley Station multi-story carpark early morning concrete pours
- Malaga footbridge early morning concrete pours
- Noranda Station carpark asphalt

Check the Tonkin Gap Facebook page and Tonkin Gap Project page on the Main Roads WA website for specific details on these works.

#### What can I expect?

- Our work activity 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.
- Work will be in accordance with a noise management plan approved by your local government authority. If you have concerns, please call 138 138 (24 hours).

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