

Albany Ring Road Project

South Coast Highway Bridge, Ring Road between Albany Highway and South Coast Highway and Frenchman Bay Road bridge to open in late March 2024



South Coast Highway bridge approaching completion

In the coming week, there will be significant changes to traffic movements as the Albany Ring Road project reaches three key milestones:

1. The South Coast Highway bridge will open to all traffic on **20 March 2024**
2. The section of the Ring Road between Albany Highway and South Coast Highway will open on **27 March 2024**
3. The new bridge connecting Hanrahan Road to Frenchman Bay Road will open on **28 March 2024**

Opening the Frenchman Bay Road bridge will enable the final pavement and sealing works on

the main Albany Ring Road alignment to be completed ahead of the winter months.

Maps showing the revised road layout are included below.

What this means for road users

South Coast Highway Bridge and the Ring Road from Albany Highway to South Coast Highway

Albany Highway / Menang Drive

- Vehicles travelling from Menang Drive towards South Coast Highway may cross the Albany Highway bridge and continue south along Albany Ring Road (Menang Drive) before utilising the new ramp onto South Coast Highway.
- Vehicles travelling from Albany Highway southbound to South Coast Highway will enter the interchange loop via a left slip lane just after the bridge, then turn left to go over the bridge to head south along Albany Ring Road (Menang Drive) before utilising the ramp onto South Coast Highway.
- See **Figure 2** below for further details of key turning movements at this interchange.

South Coast Highway

- Vehicles travelling on South Coast Highway eastbound (towards Albany) and westbound (towards Denmark) will cross over Albany Ring Road (Menang Drive) on the newly constructed bridge.
- Vehicles travelling on South Coast Highway from the west towards Albany Highway northbound will turn left onto the ramp before the new bridge to join the Albany Ring Road (Menang Drive) before utilising the Albany Highway northbound exit, just prior to the Albany Highway bridge.
- Vehicles travelling on South Coast Highway from the east to Albany Highway northbound will cross over the new bridge before utilising the Albany Ring Road (Menang Drive) and the Albany Highway northbound exit.
- The temporary traffic signals that have been necessary to manage traffic flow during construction will be removed.
- See **Figure 3** below for further details of key turning movements at this interchange.

Port-bound heavy vehicles

- As the section of the Ring Road between South Coast Highway and Albany Port remains under construction, heavy vehicles are required to use the existing access routes to the port (via Chester Pass Road or Albany Highway and Hanrahan Road) until the project opens in full in mid-2024.

Hanrahan Road to Frenchman Bay Road bridge and connecting roundabouts

From Little Grove and the Torndirrup Peninsular towards Albany CBD (York Street)

- Road users can cross over the new bridge, turn left at the Hanrahan Road roundabout and left again into Princess Royal Drive.

From Albany CBD (York Street) to Little Grove and the Torndirrup Peninsular

- After travelling under the new bridge, road users can turn right at the Hanrahan Road turnoff after the new bridge, turn right around the roundabout, cross over the bridge and head straight through the Frenchman Bay Road roundabout.

Lower Denmark Road to Albany CBD

- Road users can turn left at the Frenchman Bay Road roundabout, cross over the new bridge, turn left at the Hanrahan Rd roundabout and left again onto Princess Royal Drive.

Changes for cyclists and pedestrians

- Following the opening of the new bridge, cyclists and pedestrians will have access to a temporary pedestrian path up and over the new bridge, enabling them to pass over the rail line and the new Ring Road alignment.
- At the Hanrahan Road roundabout, a connection will be available to the northern side of Princess Royal Drive, utilising part of the old Hanrahan Road.

See **Figure 4** below for further details of key turning movements at this interchange.

For further information on key traffic movements at the Hanrahan Road and Frenchman Bay Road interchange, please refer to the new traffic simulation, located on our project webpage at www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/albany-ring-road.

Further information

To stay up to date with the project, subscribe to email notifications via our project webpage at: www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/albany-ring-road

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Figure 1 – Changes to the road network – from 28 March 2024

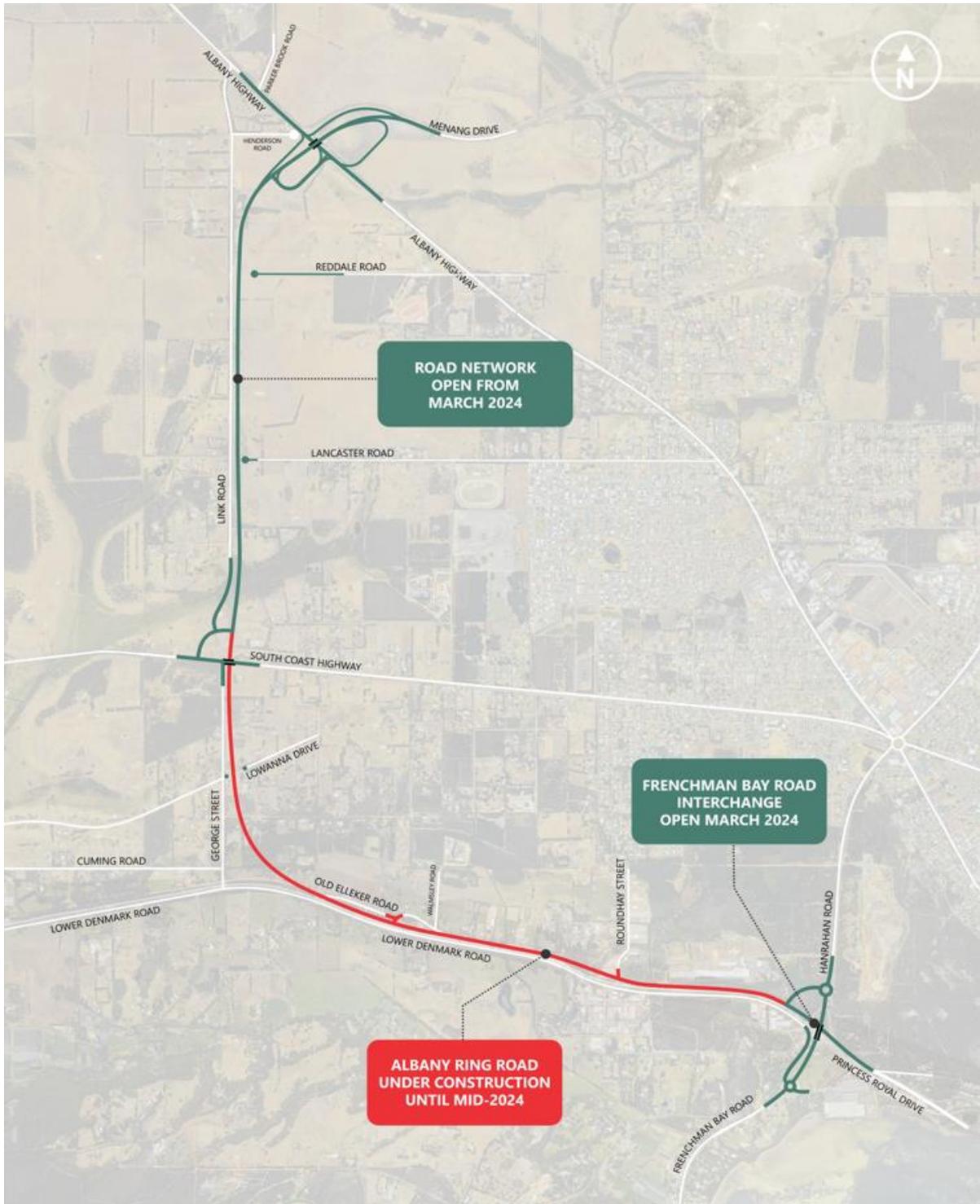


Figure 2 – Key movements at the Albany Ring Road (Menang Drive) and Albany Highway interchange – from 27 March 2024

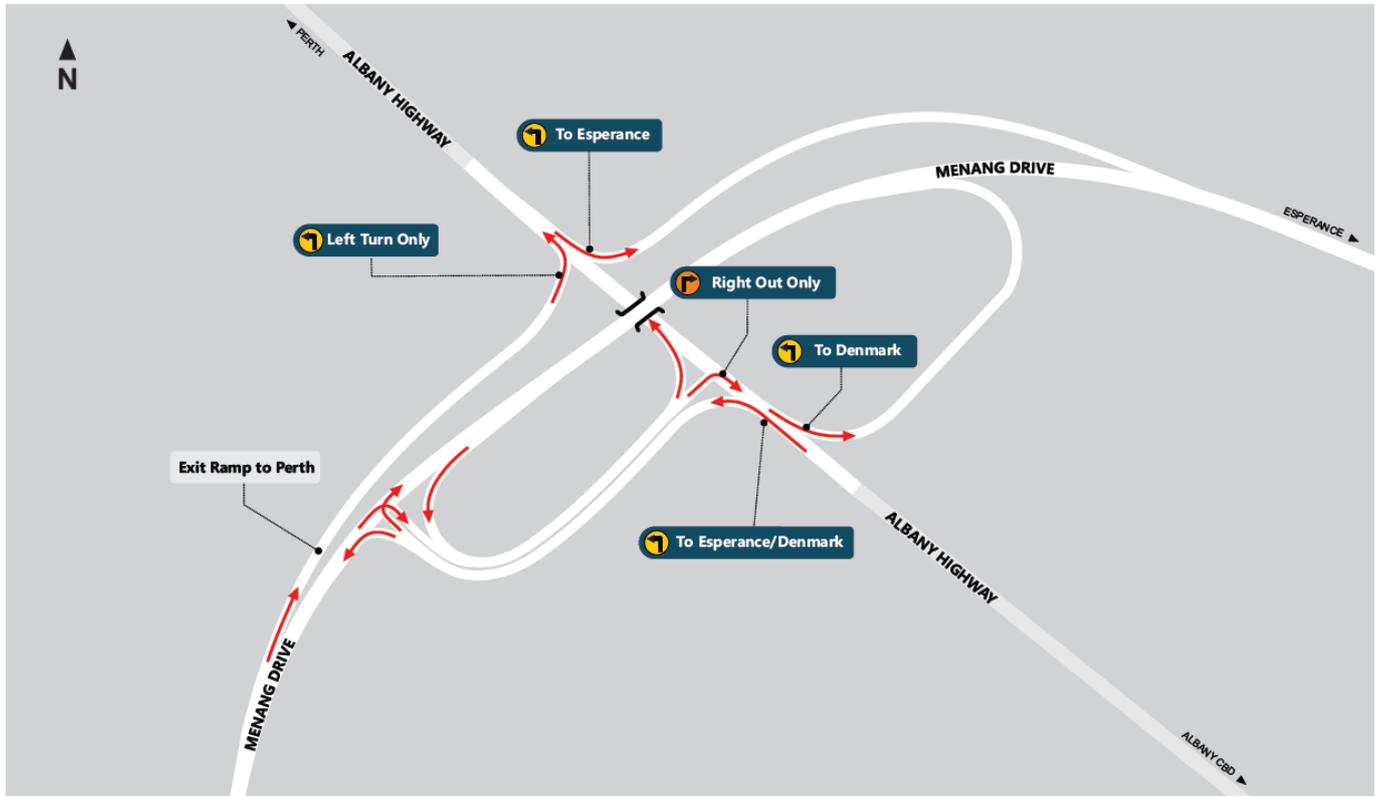


Figure 3 – Key movements at the Albany Ring Road (Menang Drive), South Coast Highway and Link Road interchange – from 27 March 2024

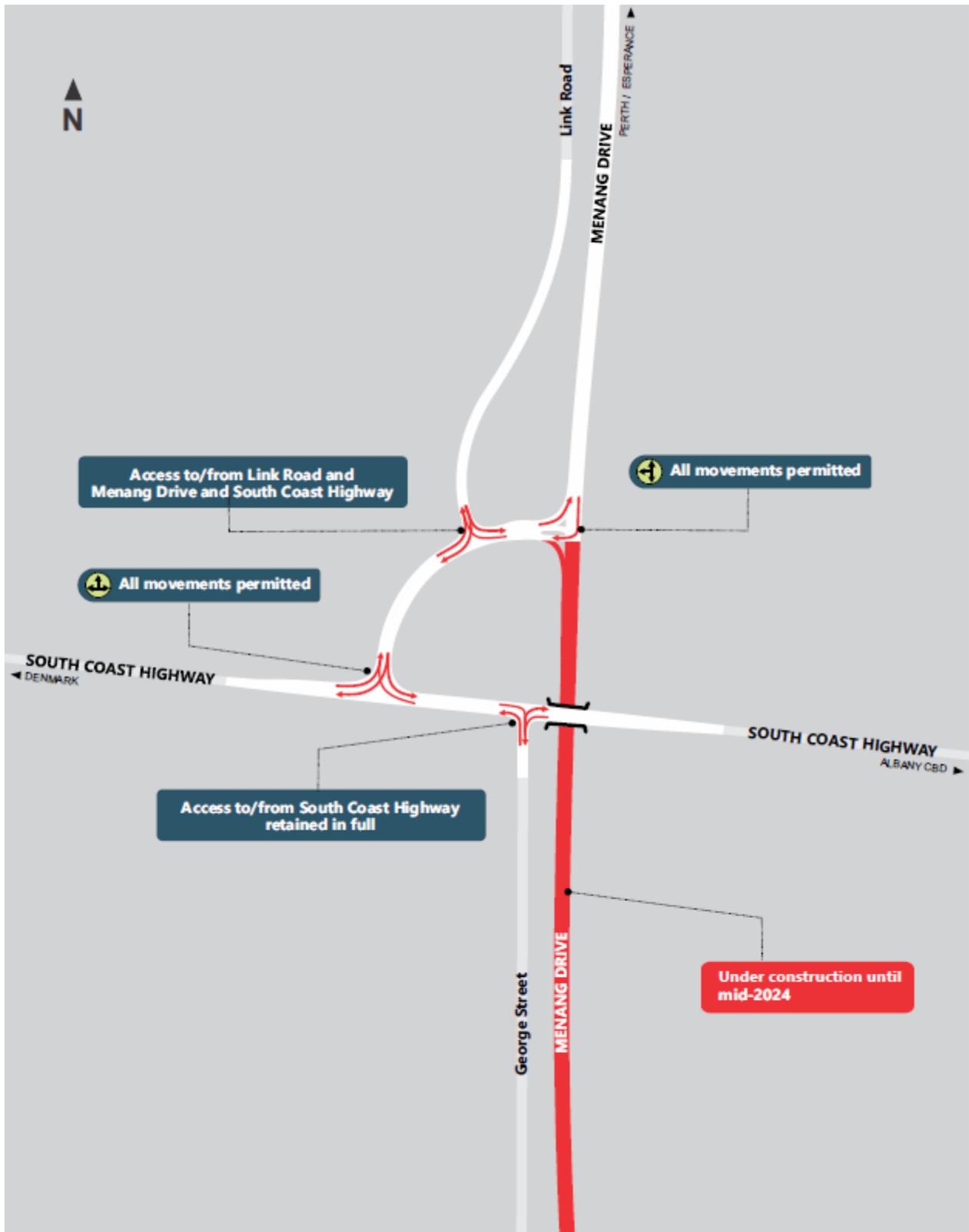


Figure 4 – Key movements at the Hanrahan Road and Frenchman Bay Road interchange – from 28 March 2024

