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Frequently Asked Questions –
Stephenson Avenue northbound on-
ramp opening
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Stephenson Avenue Extension Project (Phase 2)

The Stephenson Avenue Extension project provides a new connection from Scarborough Beach Road to Cedric Street, including a new grade-separated interchange at Mitchell Freeway and local road links to Ellen Stirling Boulevard.

Soon the Stephenson Avenue Interchange will be fully operational with the Stephenson Avenue northbound on ramp to be connected to Mitchell Freeway from early April. Further traffic changes will also be implemented along Cedric Street to allow finishing works to be safely completed.

View the frequently asked questions below on these upcoming changes.

When will the new Stephenson Avenue northbound on ramp open?

The new Stephenson Avenue northbound on-ramp is opening from 7am Friday 3 April 2026.

What does the new ramp connect to?

The new on-ramp provides road users, travelling from Innaloo, Stirling and surrounding areas, with direct access to Mitchell Freeway northbound from Stephenson Avenue in both directions.

Will the Stephenson Avenue Interchange be fully operational once the new northbound on ramp opens?

Yes. The opening of the new northbound on-ramp will see the Stephenson Avenue Extension Interchange become fully operational with on and off-ramps connected in both northbound and southbound directions.

Finishing works will continue on the new on ramp, which will require ongoing nighttime ramp closures for the short-term.

What are the key benefits of the Stephenson Avenue Interchange?

- Improve access to key destinations including Stirling Station, Innaloo, Osborne Park and the Perth CBD.
- Improve connectivity for road users travelling in Perth's northern suburbs.
- Improve traffic flows on the local road network, including Cedric Street, Scarborough Beach Road and Ellen Stirling Boulevard.
- The southbound on-ramp has been integrated with the Mitchell Freeway Smart Freeway system, including coordinated ramp signals to manage traffic flow entering the freeway along Mitchell Freeway southbound.

Are there any further traffic changes associated with the opening of the new ramp?

Yes. The Cedric Street northbound on ramp will temporarily close at the same time to progress works for the new Cedric Street / Catspaw Road intersection, including widening of the existing on ramp. A detour

will be in place during the temporary closure – view detour map overleaf to Mitchell Freeway northbound.

Cedric Street westbound between Stephenson Avenue and Ellen Stirling Boulevard will continue to be closed.

How do I access Mitchell Freeway northbound when travelling on Cedric Street during the temporary closure?

- Road users travelling eastbound on Cedric Street can turn right onto Stephenson Avenue to access the new Stephenson Avenue northbound on-ramp or left onto Karrinyup Road to access the Karrinyup Road northbound on ramp.
- Road users travelling westbound on Cedric Street can turn left onto Stephenson Avenue to access the new Stephenson Avenue northbound on-ramp.

How long will the Cedric Street northbound on-ramp be temporarily closed for?

From 9pm Thursday 2 April 2026 to mid-2026.

Are there any access changes to Mitchell Freeway northbound when the Cedric Street northbound on-ramp reopens?

When reopened, the Mitchell Freeway northbound access will only be available from Cedric Street eastbound.

Road users travelling westbound can continue to access Mitchell Freeway northbound from Stephenson Avenue.

Are there any access changes to Stirling Station and associated car parks?

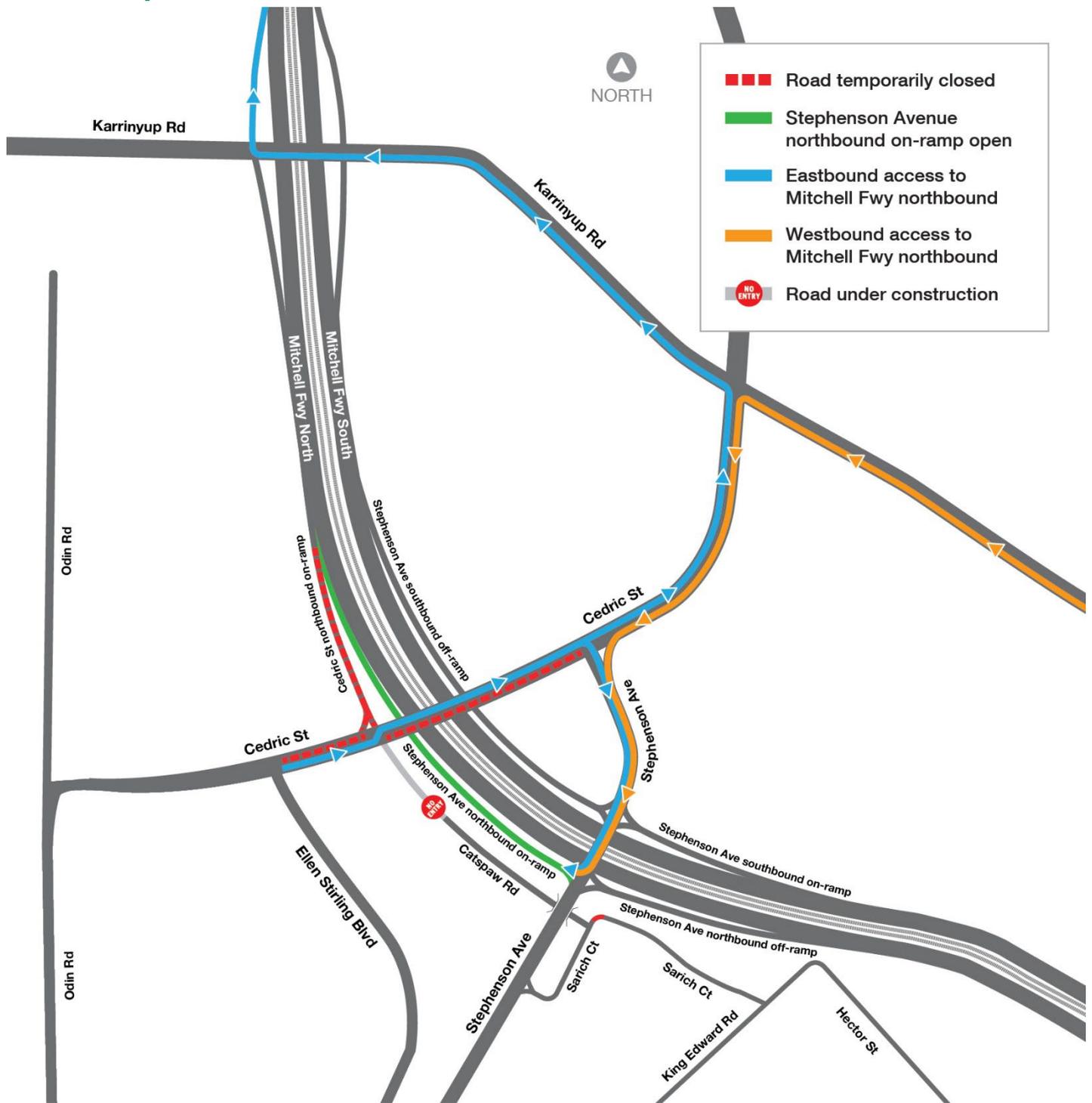
Vehicle access to Stirling Station and associated car parks will continue to be maintained via Stephenson Avenue, however there will be changes to pedestrian access to these facilities as works progress. View pedestrian access changes on the Public Transport Authority's website - [Stirling Bus Interchange](#).

What is the next stage of works?

There are several planned traffic changes to come into effect as works progress, these include:

- A temporary closure of Cedric Street between Ellen Stirling Boulevard and Stephenson Avenue from May to mid-2026. More information on this closure will be provided closer to the time.
- Targeted opening of Catspaw Road to Cedric Street in mid-2026.

Traffic Map



Further information

For further information, including detailed traffic maps, please visit the [Main Roads website](#) or alternatively contact Main Roads on 138 138 or email enquiries@mainroads.wa.gov.au.