

Pinjarra Heavy Haulage Deviation



Above: Murray River bank, near McLarty Road, Pinjarra.

Current status

As part of the recent 2024/25 State Budget, \$42 million was allocated for Main Roads to continue the planning and development for the future Pinjarra Heavy Haulage Deviation, in conjunction with the Shire of Murray and the wider community.

The State Government remains committed to delivering this important project for the local community.

Project Benefits

The project aims to provide an alternative route for regional heavy vehicle traffic around the town that will:

- improve safety for all road users on central town streets and heavy vehicle routes
- enhance amenity through the town for locals and visitors
- address traffic congestion in the town road network
- support socio-economic growth and facilitate integrated development in Greater Pinjarra and the South West Region

Upcoming engagement

Since September 2023, we have been working with the Nyungar community in and around Pinjarra to understand the significance of the areas associated with the Pinjarra Massacre.

The community has advised there may be high-level cultural constraints in the area that includes the current alignment, the area further south and the Murray River.

In June 2024, we finalised membership of the Nyungar Alignment Selection Working Group and the first meeting will be held in August. We will work together to understand the constraints, seek information from stakeholders and the wider community, and determine a preferred alignment to present to the State Government for approval.

The area is highly significant in terms of its Aboriginal heritage values, and any major road infrastructure requires careful consideration. We look forward to progressing discussions about the project in a culturally appropriate and sensitive way that pays respect to the local Nyungar community's views and concerns.

During this process, we welcome queries and comments from the wider community and stakeholders. Liaison with the Shire of Murray and landowners will also continue.

Further information

Visit our web page at <https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/projects-initiatives/all-projects/regional/pinjarra-heavy-haulage/> to learn more about the project and to subscribe to project email updates.