CONSTRUCTION UPDATE NOVEMBER 2025







Tonkin Highway Extension and Thomas Road Upgrade



Momentum building along the Alignment

The Tonkin Highway Extension and Thomas Road Upgrade Project has started permanent construction with drainage, pavement works and major earthworks continuing this month.

What's happening now?

Current activities across the project area include:

- Intermittent night works during November and December (7pm-7am, Monday to Sunday) on Thomas Road and Tonkin Highway.
- Vegetation clearing, property boundary fencing and ground preparation will continue along the existing Tonkin Highway, Thomas Road (both directions), Mundijong Road, South Western Highway, and along the future Tonkin Highway alignment.

Tonkin Highway and Thomas Road works

In October, the team switched traffic to the temporary southbound lanes on Tonkin Highway and continued building the temporary Thomas Road diversion between Ballak Place and Kardan Boulevard.

From the 14 - 17 November 2025, night works will take place from 7pm to 7am to switch traffic onto the new Thomas/Tonkin alignment. Traffic management will be in place on both Tonkin Highway and Thomas Road to install barriers, complete line marking and to relocate traffic signals.

To safely undertake these works, Tonkin Highway will be closed in both directions from Rowley Road to Thomas Road from 8pm Friday 14 November to 10am on Saturday, 15 November 2025. Thomas Road will remain open during this time.













Once the switch is complete, traffic will be shifted further south on Thomas Road, between Ballak Place and Kardan Boulevard to start building the permanent Thomas Road eastbound lanes, including construction of retaining walls and drainage. From late November, the temporary diversion road will start to be built between Kargotich Road and Ballak Place. During this work you may notice vibrations in the area.

Hopkinson and Gossage Road closure

As part of the project, the new Tonkin Highway alignment will cross over Hopkinson Road and Gossage Road. To enable these works, Hopkinson Road has been permanently closed to vehicle traffic between south of Cavanagh Close to north of Gossage Road. Gossage Road has also become a cul-de-sac at the Hopkinson Road intersection. For alternative access routes visit the Main Roads Tonkin Highway Extension and Thomas Road Upgrade project page.

Bridle Path closure north of Gossage Road

To enable construction of the Tonkin Highway and Gossage Road Underpass, a section of the existing bridle trail north of Gossage Road, between Bournbrook Avenue and Hopkinson Road is now closed.

A new connection to Hopkinson Road will be available via the newly constructed Gossage Road underpass from late 2028. This closure is essential for safety as a section of the bridle path passes through our active construction site. This closure has been planned in consultation with the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale and the Shire Equine Working Group, with clear signage in place to guide path users.

Bulk haulage underway in November

Bulk haulage of fill material will be underway in mid-November for the project. You may see an increase in heavy vehicles using the site-based haulage track along the new Tonkin Highway alignment, with access via Thomas Road, Bishop Road, Mundijong Road, and South Western Highway. Traffic management will be in place where the haulage track crosses at Abernethy Road, Cardup Siding Road and Orton Road.

The site-based haulage track will continue to be built between Orton Road and Bishop Road during November and December.

South Western Highway widening and upgrades

Works continue along South Western Highway between Watkins Road and Transit Road, constructing the future Tonkin Highway and South Western Highway intersection, and upgrading Shanley Road and Jarrahdale Road intersection. Traffic has been reduced to one lane in both directions along South Western Highway between Watkins Road and Transit Road. Speed reductions are now in place on Wright Road between Bilya Avenue and Watkins Road until project completion.

Shanley Road temporary road closure

As work progresses in the southern section of the project, Shanley Road is planned to temporarily close between Coogly Road and South Western Highway, from early December to project completion. Local access will be maintained during this period.

Public submissions on this planned closure are now open and can be made in writing to the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale by 5pm, 1 December 2025. For more information, please visit the Public Notice section of the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale website. These changes will allow the team to safely complete bridge works, including installing bridge beams and supporting structures, and to establish a haulage track within the project boundary to reduce heavy vehicle movements on local roads.

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