

January 2024

# Tonkin Gap Project and Associated Works

## Construction Update

**This update contains important information about upcoming works near you. Works below are anticipated in January 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. There is potential for longer than usual travel times and we encourage road users to plan ahead. 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 lanes now open and finishing works wrapping up

Happy New Year!

Last month we opened all lanes on Tonkin Highway between Dunreath Drive and Collier Road. The 80km/h will remain as we complete asphalt, permanent line marking and finishing works. There will be night works and ramp closures across the project to complete these works. A water blasting machine will be required to remove old line markings in some areas and some noise is expected during these works. Please drive to the road conditions and follow the 80km/h speed limit.

Once all finishing works are complete the speed will increase to 100km/h. **Reminder** - as works will 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.



*Final asphalt and permanent line marking*

### Great Eastern Highway finishing works

Last month we opened all lanes on Great Eastern Highway, reinstated the right turn from Tonkin Highway northbound to Great Eastern Highway and re-opened the U-turn near Ascot Apartments to head back towards Perth City. We will continue asphaltting and landscaping works at night and during the day in January.

### Principal Shared Path now open

The new Principal Shared Path (PSP) adjacent to Tonkin Highway northbound between Stanton Road and Collier Road is now open. We hope you enjoy the new connection. Heritage trail signs will continue to be installed this month. There may be minor finishing works, which will be completed under traffic management as required.

### Shared path near River Road to open soon

We plan to have the shared path adjacent to River Road open later this month. Once open, this will connect path users to Claughton



*PSP between Dunstone Road and Guildford Road*

Reserve and the new under bridge community space. Thank you for your patience while we have had this area closed.

## Davis Street cul-de-sac finishing works

As part of the upgrades to Great Eastern Highway and the new Principal Shared Path (PSP) network, we are required to modify the cul-de-sac at the southern end of Davis Street. 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.

## Interpretation node acknowledges history of the area

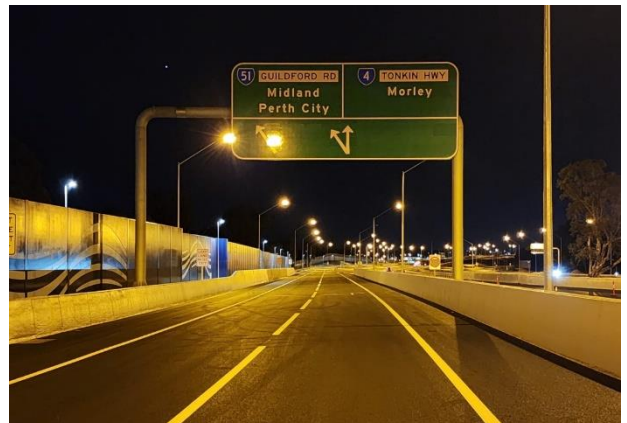
We have now completed and opened an interpretation node near the bridge on the Belmont side which forms part of the [Department of Biodiversity and Attractions River Journeys program](#). For this node, we conducted heritage surveys, and two sites of Aboriginal cultural significance were identified within the works area. This includes the Derbarl Yerrigan (Swan River) and two River Gum trees each with a single cultural scar. The signage acknowledges both the scar trees and the Derbarl Yerrigan. Make sure you pause to take a read next time you are in the area.



*Interpretation node and seating*

## Loop cutting works for services under asphalt

During January, we will continue loop cutting works 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.



*New lanes on Tonkin Highway northbound*

## METRONET Morley-Ellenbrook Line

### Morley Station

#### Multi-storey carpark

Works on the second level of the METRONET Morley Station multi-storey carpark are now complete with the third floor suspended slabs and columns construction to continue in January. There may be some noise as we conduct weekly early morning concrete pours from 3am. Works also continue on the retaining wall which extends around the perimeter of the existing drainage basin. MELconnx contractors will start services works in this area in January for the Morley-Ellenbrook Line.

### Wotton Street/Embleton Avenue intersection

Asphalt works will continue at the intersection of Wotton Street and Embleton Avenue this month. We will also build the footpath adjacent to Wotton Street. Once complete, this will connect to the new multi-storey carpark. During these works, there may be some noise and vibrations and we apologise for any inconvenience.

### Broun Avenue / Embleton Avenue intersection

Western Power and the team will continue works this month. Once services and signal works are complete we will reinstate the right turns from Broun Avenue westbound and eastbound to Embleton Avenue, as well as Embleton Avenue southbound to Broun Avenue westbound. We will also start to rebuild the lanes and extend the turning pockets as part of the permanent design. There will be night works and closures to complete these works.

## Malaga footbridge

Works continue with early morning (3am) concrete pours for the abutments. We will also install and backfill the Mechanically Stabilised Earth (MSE) panels, construct the piers and install pre-cast planks for the approach ramp on the western side. **Reminder** - the Principal Shared Path (PSP) will remain closed between Premier Place, Ballajura and Marshall Road for the time being.

## Western Power works continue across the project

Western Power will be working at various locations across the project to complete works on traffic signals, streetlighting and cable lowering. Any power outages will be communicated and managed by Western Power.

- Broun / Embleton pole relocation - 11 to 12 January (night works required)
- Benara Road streetlighting - 8 to 15 January
- Doyle/Broun intersection signal works - 21 January
- Broun / Embleton Avenue streetlighting - 8 to 31 January
- Benara intersection signal works - 4 February



Malaga footbridge works

## Out of hours works continue through January

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
- Guildford Road between Tonkin Highway ramps
- Broun Avenue / Embleton intersection
- Morley Station multi-story carpark early morning concrete pours
- Malaga footbridge early morning concrete pours

Check the Tonkin Gap Facebook page and Tonkin Gap Project page on the Main Roads WA website for specific details on these works. If you would like to stay up to date on METRONET projects, please sign up for updates at <https://www.metronet.wa.gov.au/>

### 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).

### For more information on Tonkin Gap

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